

GERMANS ARE SWEEPING ACROSS RUSSIAN POLAND

SAYS RUMANIA IS READY TO ENTER WAR

Minister Says "Any Nation Keeping Out of War Commits Moral, Political and Economic Suicide"

PARIS, Dec. 11.—"Any nation keeping out of the present struggle commits moral, political and economic suicide," Take Jonescu, Rumanian minister of the interior, is thus quoted in a despatch published by the Matin. The quotation continues:

"The Rumanian nation, democratic and liberal in its culture, must not commit such a crime. The present war offers a unique opportunity for it to realize its program without endangering the independence and liberties of the kingdom."

KAISER'S FORCES BUT 15 MILES FROM WARSAW

Czar Again at Front—Turks Repulse Russians Near Batum—Berlin Admits British Naval Victory—Kaiser Better—Austrians in Retreat

It is admitted unofficially in Petrograd today that German troops are sweeping across Russian Poland and are now about 15 miles from Warsaw. The army of General Mackensen apparently is striking forward rapidly, although it is said that the other invading armies to the north and south are making little, if any, progress. The possibility of German occupation of Warsaw is seen in Petrograd where it is said that if the Russians should withdraw from the city for strategic reasons its capture by the Germans should not be considered as important.

Emperor Nicholas is again at the front, having gone on this occasion to Trans-Caucasia, where his troops are seeking to thrust back the Turks and accomplish Russia's historic aim of planting her flag on the Bosphorus. A Turkish report states that an attempt of Russians to land troops on the shore of the Black Sea near Batum was repulsed with heavy loss to the invaders.

Germany is proud of her adventurous men of war in the face of their destruction. The admiralty at Berlin points out that the warships defeated by the British in the south Atlantic had been for four months on the high seas deprived of the use of ports for obtaining supplies or repairs, notwithstanding which they were always able to obtain coal. The cruiser Dresden, last survivor of the five warships which composed the squadron, is reported to have been bottled up in the straits of Magellan and her fate is still in doubt.

Emperor William, announcement of whose illness has been followed by various unauthenticated reports that his condition was serious, is said to have improved greatly.

Little is known concerning the present conflict in France and Belgium, except that the fighting is more spirited and that the allies are making broad, though indefinite, claims to success.

The reported turn in the fortunes of war in Serbia, where only recently the Austrians were described as pushing the defending army to such lengths as to threaten its destruction is said in Paris to be false.

The claim is made that the Austrians are retreating in disorder all along the line and that more than 22,000 prisoners have been taken.

FORMER LOWELL PASTOR KILLED IN NEW JERSEY

Rev. C. L. Merriam, Late of Highland Church, Killed When Train Struck Auto—His Wife Injured

Rev. Charles L. Merriam, a former Lowell pastor, was instantly killed and his wife seriously injured, when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a train on the New Jersey and New York railroad at Essex street crossing, Hackensack, N. J., last night.

Rev. David Stuart Hamilton, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Paterson, and Mrs. Hamilton, were badly injured. As was the chauffeur of the car. All the injured were taken to a hospital. It was said at the hospital that Mrs. Hamilton's condition is critical.

Rev. Charles L. Merriam was a former pastor of the Highland Congregational church in this city. He left Lowell about 17 years ago. From here he went to Pelham, N. H., and later to Derry, N. H. Later he became pastor of the North Congregational church in Newton. In 1913 he left Newton to assume the pastorate of the Auburn Street Congregational church, Paterson, N. J.

Mrs. Merriam was graduated from Yale where he displayed a special enthusiasm for music, as he did here. He was married twice. His second wife was Miss Grace Greeley of Pelham. He is survived by his mother and a daughter by his second marriage.

TO ABOLISH CROSSING

Winchester Commission Files its Report at Clerk of Courts at East Cambridge

WINCHESTER, Dec. 11.—The commission, consisting of George W. Wiggins of Franklin, George F. Swain of Boston and Arthur Lord of Plymouth, appointed by the superior court of Middlesex county Jan. 2, 1906, to consider the abolition of the grade crossing in Winchester Center, filed its report yesterday in the office of the clerk of courts at East Cambridge.

The commission states that to abolish the crossing by a change of grade of the railroad or ways the cost would be so great that it would report against abolition, but by discontinuing the ways within the railroad location and the substitution of a new way and subway, the expense will be consistent with the finding that the security and convenience of the public require the abolition.

The commission describes the new way it offers in return for closing the present crossing. This would be a 60-foot street from Church street, running between the Waterfield building and the residence of Dr. Clarence J. Allen, crossing the railroad tracks south of the station, across the north end of Manchester field and descending to the Mystic Valley park.

FINANCIAL SITUATION OF FRANCE IS "DREARY," SAYS ALEXANDER RIBOT

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The financial situation in France is "dreary," Alexander Ribot says in the Matin. "We have lived up to the present by an issue of treasury notes," Mr. Ribot continued. "Of which 12,000,000 francs (\$16,000,000) has been placed recently and the total subscription for which exceeded a milliard francs (\$2,600,000,000). Thus there is no need at present to have a recourse to a loan."

"In fact the success of this great national operation is so great that I decided today to reduce from five to four per cent. the interest on three month notes, which are those which are to be renewed on Dec. 15."

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MARSTON—Dr. Joseph N. Marston of this city died suddenly of pneumonia, Tuesday, Dec. 8, in New York city, aged 33 years. Deceased was born in Lowell and received his early education at the Varnum grammar and high schools. He was graduated from the Harvard Medical school and afterwards went abroad to study and received the degree of M. Sc. from Edinburgh university. He leaves a wife and four sons. He was a member of the Harvard Medical society and the Massachusetts Medical society.

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The new way is to be carried over the tracks on a through plate girder bridge, with a clear span of 65 feet, having steel girders, wooden stringers and brick-paved roadway on a waterproofed plank floor. The sidewalks are to be carried outside the girders on brackets. Headroom of 12 feet is provided for under the bridge. Travelers are made for a 10 foot arch bridge over the Abernethy river. A subway for foot passengers having a clear width of 10 feet and headroom of eight feet is provided at the center under the railroad tracks in place of the streets proposed to be discontinued.

The plan proposed that the street will cross except in emergencies by sending the Stoneham cars to Bedford and the Wolcott cars to Arlington. A new station of two stories is proposed on the site of the present building.

The Boston & Maine railroad is designated as the party to do the work and the expense is to be divided as follows: "The railroad, 65 per cent; the street railway, 10 per cent; the commonwealth, 15 per cent; and the town 10 per cent."

Town Counsel Charles F. Dutch said: "The law entitles the town to a fair equivalent and adequate substitute for present facilities. The commission's plan, I submit, does not give this. It wells up the crossing and substitutes a new way only 50 feet wide. Such a way is entirely too narrow. The present crossing is 150 feet wide on the east side and 225 feet on the west. It delays travel by electric cars and vehicles from one side of the town to the other. Fire apparatus going to North Main street must travel over one-fourth of a mile farther with four ton wheels. These turns and curves are dangerous and a 5 per cent grade is an unjust burden on horses that must travel over it. It blocks access to Manchester field from the center of the town."

The town plan of depressing the tracks four feet and raising the streets separates the grades in a normal way and gives every party a fair and adequate substitute for present facilities. The expense is not great, as it was estimated by engineers at from \$200,000 to \$225,000, and the railroad's engineers estimate the cost to be about \$100,000. On a comparison of the cost of the work at Belmont and Newton, on a basis of either population or valuation, this cost is not excessive.

"Although the R. & M. R. R. has emphatically urged the adoption of the commission's plan, its chief engineer, Mr. Corbitt, has stated that such a plan 'was going round Robin Hood's barn; was not the proper way to eliminate the crossing and that the town plan was the better and would do for all time. He admitted the feasibility of lowering the railroad tracks four feet."

Mr. McDougall, when president of the road, characterized the commission's plan as a makeshift. It is worse. It walls up ancient turnpikes, officially laid out in 1816 and 1860, that have been widened and straightened again and again to meet growing demands, and diverts them by a single 60-foot way.

THREE GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED BY FRENCH

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The official statement given out in Paris this afternoon says that the enemy yesterday was active in the vicinity of Ypres. Three of his attacks were repulsed but out of the important French trenches were reached by the force of Emperor William. Nevertheless French troops continue to make progress in the direction of the enemy's lines, according to the official report. Artillery engagements are reported in the region of Arras and in the Vosges, as well as in the vicinity of Valenciennes and on the heights of the Meuse. In the forest of La Treve our progress has been continued and has developed. To the south of Thann we have occupied the railroad station at Aspach.

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FUNERAL NOTICE
McCURRAN—The funeral of Miss Annie McCurran will take place Saturday morning (Dec. 12) at 8 o'clock from her home, 12 Andrews street. At 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at the Sacred Heart church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Higgins Bros.

FUNERALS
ABRAHAM—The funeral of George A. Abraham will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow from the rooms of Undertaker George W. Healey, 79 Branch street. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond G. Clark, pastor of the First Trinitarian Congregational church. Appropriate selections were sung by Mrs. Fred L. Roberts. The floral offerings included pillars, incense, "Hushaby" and "Father" mound, inscribed "Father," Charles Abbott, sprays, Miss Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lederman and Mr. and Mrs. Appleton. Burial was in the Grand Army lot in the Edison cemetery.

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DUFFY—The funeral of Wm. E. Duffy was held from Waterbury yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at St. Patrick's church in that city. Among the many floral offerings were the following: Pillow inscribed "Husband and Brother," the family pillow, The Elks, Moose and Eagles, of Waltham, and the Eagles of Lowell, and other tributes from Martin J. Queenan, Mr. and Mrs. Queenan, Wm. and Mrs. Nellie Finnegan, Margaret Toohy, Mr. and Mrs. James Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Margaret Roddy, Edward Harley, Miss Anne Queenan, Winona C. Greene of Somerville, assisted by Rev. Caleb E. Fisher of this city. Burial was in Wrentham, where prayers were read by Dr. Greene. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Weinbeck.

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FROM THE BATTLE FRONT

Graphic Story From the Headquarters of German Army in France—Germans Confident

HEADQUARTERS OF ONE OF THE GERMAN ARMIES IN FRANCE, Dec. 11.—(Forwarded by automobile courier to Berlin, then to London.)

A correspondent of the Associated Press, spending a week in the field of operations, has been the guest of Generals Von Heusinger, formerly war minister, and now commander of the Seventh Army, Von Zechlin, the commander of Metz, and Von Emswiler, the commander of Metz and Namur.

Several hours were spent in the trenches in a picturesque old town where German soldiers and French prisoners play and play again in the old streets of Metz, each from a position about 200 yards apart. A pair of German machine-guns was found in one place on this front. The German soldiers, French and so forth were housed in bivouac tents, formerly store quarters which were also protected by a 50-foot stone wall from even the most powerful shell fire. The morning was passed in an artillery observation stand opposite the trenches, where a powerful stereoscopic telescope by means of which the artillery fire is directed brought the observer within 100 yards of the city and cathedral and enabled him to see that the cathedral and its towers were standing fairly intact, although shelled by fire. A trip of inspection was made through a labyrinth of field fortifications, and approaches along the Alsace at its most point to Paris where the lines are normally two or three hundred yards apart. The soldiers even in the front-most trenches were found living in comparatively comfort. They are supplied with blankets, food, water, food clothing, and are in good spirits despite their long residence in the trenches. Descriptive infantry are always in progress here and the rattle of machine guns breaks out now and then. The artillery on both sides has thrown tons of iron shells but there have been no great fights of late in this section of the front. Of all the impressions of the trip the most striking is that left by the countless stacks of unthreshed grain, stretching for miles in every direction throughout this granary of northern France. Over

a hundred German threshing machines of the largest size are working in the region occupied by the army and six new ones were encountered today plugging forward in the field. These threshing machines which are doing work quite as important as that of the 22 machine-guns. The army is not only living on the supplies of flour and wheat derived from this section of the country but is actually manufacturing flour to feed the folks in Germany.

The German soldier is smiling and well fed. The lean greyness seen after the dash on Paris are again rounding out into plump cheeks. It is the normal German soldier at the front, dressed and armed as much as formerly, partly perhaps because of the change in immediate vicinity of the enemy is apt to draw a bullet, he is neither discouraged nor exhausted. There is no indication whatever that his nerves are cracking under the strain of the protracted war.

No trip to the front would be complete without a visit to the field hospital. Health conditions are remarkably good, the surgeons state, even better than in peace times. There has been considerable typhoid but this is now well in hand, owing to the vigorous use of the anti-typhoid serum. The medical department is just now cleaning out three villages in the immediate vicinity of headquarters which were found to be typhoid centers. The surgeons are devoting special attention to this matter and are isolating or vaccinating the inhabitants of suspected villages.

The Germans evidently are preparing for an extended occupation. The French peasants under the supervision and to a certain extent the aid of the German soldiers have planted winter crops and are working in the fields. Important bridges destroyed during the occupation operations are everywhere being permanently rebuilt with steel from Germany. The roads are being unimpaired as usual by French labor and in some cases factories are being reopened.

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Fancy Blankets
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Towels
Tray Cloths
Linen Sets
Embroidered Pillow Cases
Dolls
Cut Glass
Victrolas
Grafonolas
Silverware

Hand Painted China
Japanese China
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Furs

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Fancy Screens
Campbell Kids
Waste Baskets
Women's Bath Robes

JOINS THE ARMY DIED SUDDENLY

Lukeman, the Canadian Sprinting Champion, Goes to the Front

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 11.—Francis Lukeman, a former Canadian sprinting champion who in 1905 defeated the cream of American talent in the National A. A. C. 100 yard championship at New York, left here today for the Queen's Own Rifles for service in France.

TO BUY WHEAT ABROAD

ITALY HAS AUTHORIZED MUNICIPALITIES TO MAKE PURCHASES FROM OTHER COUNTRIES

ROME, Dec. 11.—Delayed in transmission by the government, but authorized municipalities to purchase wheat abroad. Under normal conditions such purchases are forbidden. Banks have been authorized to make loans to the municipalities for this purpose, thus relieving the situation.

HEARS FROM RHODE ISLAND

Commissioner Walker is Notified That Precautions Will be Taken to Prevent Spread of Disease

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Gov. has been notified that Rhode Island is contributing to the spread of foot-and-mouth disease. In Massachusetts, it is alleged, the disease is spreading in the state capital. Dr. F. Walker, commissioner of the state department of animal industry, yesterday received the following letter:

Yours of the 11th inst. addressed to the Rhode Island commission, regarding the foot-and-mouth disease, has been received and is under consideration. I am taking up the matter with Dr. Franklin and will see that the necessary precautions to prevent the spread of the foot-and-mouth disease are taken by the doctor.

"I presume that it is unnecessary to call your attention to the fact that your commission is attending to this same matter in your state, where you have no jurisdiction, will help materially."

John J. Allen,
Secretary, Board of Agriculture

Rep. Sereno E. Payne of New York, Victim of Heart Failure

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Representative Sereno E. Payne of New York died suddenly of heart failure at his apartment here at 11:15 o'clock last night.

Mr. Payne had retired to his room apparently in robust health. He telephoned the apartment house clerk about 11 o'clock, asking that a physician be sent for.

When the clerk reached the room the congressman was dying and life was extinct before the doctor arrived.

APPOINTED COUNSEL

William D. Hogan, Esq. of this city, has been appointed counsel for the defense in the case of Guyot Mondlan, who is now being held without bail for the murder of Carlo Al. who was killed at Mountain Rock a few weeks ago.

Mr. Hogan received his notification this morning from Clerk Ralph N. Smith of the superior court at Cambridge.

George W. Morrison left last night for New York city to take part in the display of safety devices which is held by the International Exposition Co. at the New Grand Central palace. Mr. Morrison will display the Morrison safety ladder, a kind of grip of which he is the inventor and manufacturer.

If you want help at home or in your business try The Sun "Want" column.

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Ex-President Suggests Another Amendment in Address at Durham, N. H.

DURHAM, N. H., Dec. 11.—The reached the conclusion that a single presidential term of seven years was best.

"I am in favor of amending the constitution to limit the presidency to a single term of seven years, but now," he said, "I am willing to wait. If the vandals set hold of the constitution now there is no telling what they would do with it."

Discussing the veto, Mr. Taft said that his young president, hearing the word in Congress after his first veto, began to think of the melancholy fate of Charles I. The president would use his veto power, however, and not leave everything to the courts.

Elopers Fled From Franklin, N. H. Last July—Porter Surrenders Himself to Police Authorities

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 11.—Run to & Food, contractors, of which he was owner, by his brother-in-law, with whose wife he eloped from Franklin, N. H., on July 8, after embezzling \$500 from the firm of which he was a partner.

Albert M. Porter, aged 39, walked into detective headquarters today and surrendered.

"My brother-in-law caught me last night," said Porter, waving a circular bearing his description and asking for his detention. "He thought I'd better give myself up to him."

He said that for the love of his brother-in-law's wife he took \$500 from the account of the firm of Porter & Food, contractors, of which he was owner, by his brother-in-law, with whose wife he eloped from Franklin, N. H., on July 8, after embezzling \$500 from the firm of which he was a partner.

RUTLAND FOUNDRY BURNED

RUTLAND, Vt., Dec. 11.—Fire of unknown origin, discovered by the night watchman early yesterday morning, destroyed the wooden portion of the iron foundry of the Howe Scale Works on Strong avenue, causing a loss of about \$10,000.

Within ten minutes after the alarm the upper portion of the building was a mass of flames. A temporary foundry will be in running order by Monday, and the construction of a new fire-proof foundry on the site of the burned building is planned.

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English artillery is shown firing at the front in Flanders in the upper picture. Notice the horses frightened by the noise. The gun is firing from an open space in the woods and the shells take effect four miles away. The Flanders battle is at present mostly an artillery duel on a big scale. The lower picture shows Belgian soldiers at an outpost firing at the German positions. One of the Belgians has been killed.

ON SPECIAL ELECTION 2 BROTHERS SENTENCED BODY FOUND IN POND

PITTSFIELD CITY SOLICITOR SAYS IT CANNOT BE HELD UNTIL THE COUNCIL DECLARES VACANCY

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 11.—City Solicitor Fallon has given an opinion as to whether this year's aldermen may legally order a special election to fill a vacancy in the 1915 common council caused by a tie in ward 7 at the election.

The opinion is that such action cannot be taken because of the peculiar wording of section 5 of the city charter, and that the election must be deferred until the council declares a vacancy in its membership. The city solicitor could not find record of a similar case in this state.

The city solicitor's opinion would indicate that the democrats will control the election of the president and the clerk of the council next year.

FRANCISCO LITZZA GETS 10 TO 15 YEARS FOR KILLING PETER TITONE

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Francisco P. Litzza of Framingham was sentenced to serve from 10 to 15 years in state prison after pleading guilty to the killing of Peter Titone in Framingham July 22.

His brother, Giuseppe, who was also charged with the killing, received a sentence of six months, and the case against a third brother, Balasari, was not pressed by Assistant District Attorney O'Donnell.

The prosecution alleges that the three brothers killed Titone in a quarrel over cards and alleged that Francisco did the actual shooting. Following the shooting, Francisco slipped away and was not located until late this fall when he was captured in Brooklyn, N. Y. His brothers were arrested following the shooting affair.

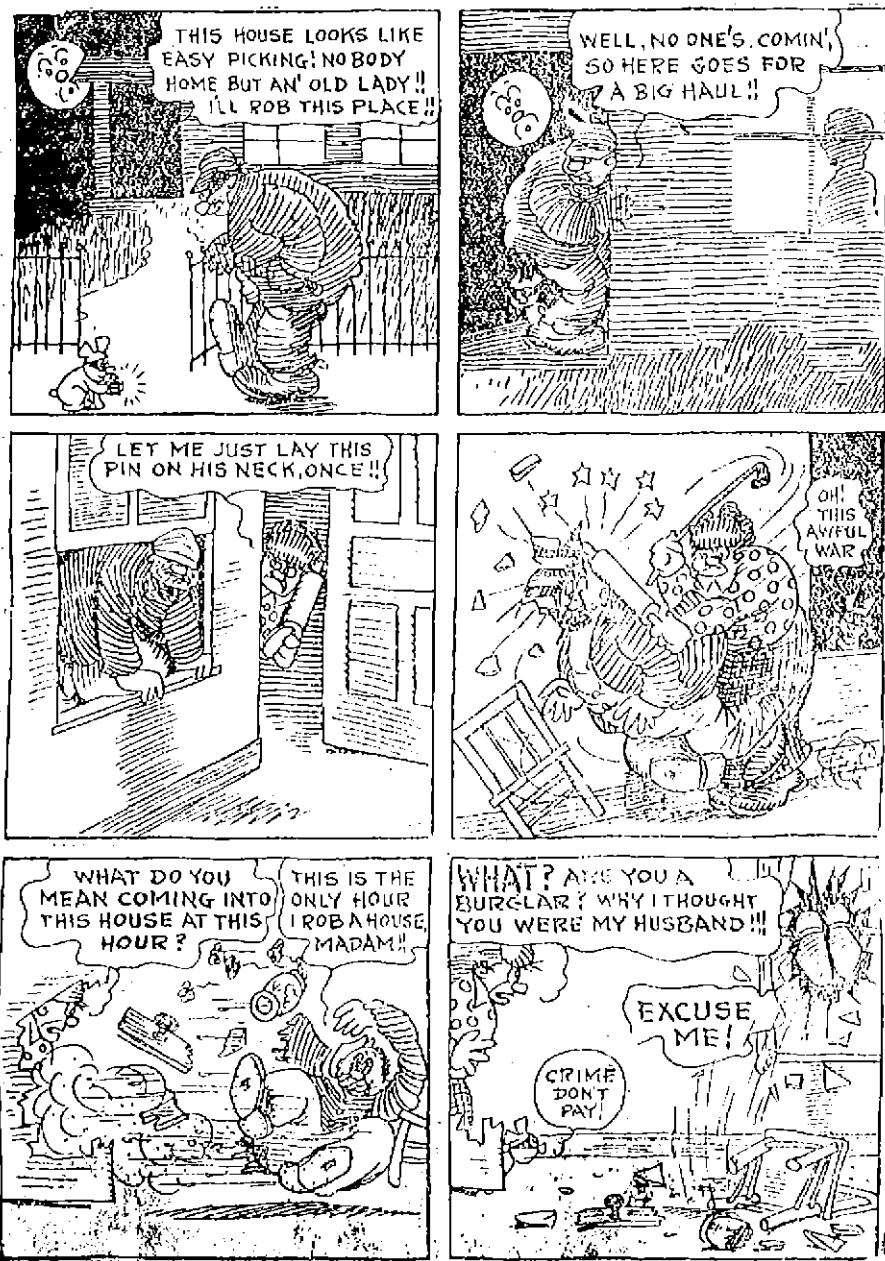
PROVIDENCE MAN ILL AND OUT OF WORK CUMMIS SUICIDE IN EDGER WILLIAMS PARK

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 11.—A man's body found floating in a pond in Edger Williams park was identified yesterday afternoon as that of Anton Larson, 62 years old, of 63 Hallowell street.

The man leaves a wife and three children. He has been in poor health and out of employment for some time. He went out Wednesday in search of work and, becoming despondent, decided to end his life, the authorities believe. Medical Examiner A. H. Langfellow pronounced death due to suicide.

SALE OF HANDWORK
This evening and tomorrow afternoon the Christmas club of the Elks club, composed of children of 5 to 12 years of age, will hold an exhibition and sale of handwork in Kilton hall at the Y. M. C. A. A short concert will be given Friday evening and there will be other attractions.

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Shoe Horns.....65c upwards	Manicure Sets.....2.49 to 3.49
Trays.....25c to 2.49	Picture Frames.....75c to 1.59
Complete Sets.....4.49 to 8.99	Ribbon Hooks.....25c upwards
Cloth Brushes.....1.19 to 2.89	Soap Boxes.....25c to 49c
Military Brushes, pair.....2.98 to 5.49	Talcum Boxes.....45c to 69c
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THE RAILWAY PROBLEM

Appeal to Pres. Wilson to Establish a Constitution of Peace by Harrison

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—An appeal to President Wilson to solve the railway problem, or "to establish a 'Constitution of Peace' among the various views and interests which menace the success of the system of transportation," was made by Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway, in an address at the annual dinner of the Railway Business Association here last night. The association is a national organization of manufacturers, merchants and engineers dealing with railways.

Mr. Harrison said: "In the controversy between the owners of railways and the representatives of the public, the pendulum has now swung to an extreme on the side of irresponsible public power as it has previously swung to an extreme on the side of irresponsible ownership."

"The conception is that in the imposition of burdens, railroad companies are public concerns and subject to public regulating power, but in the matter of relief, are private property and not entitled to be considered from the standpoint of their public service."

"Like the previous stage of irresponsible private control, the existing system of irresponsible, rigid and divided regulation cannot permanently endure. My present purpose is not to venture to suggest the solution but the source from which an acceptable solution must come."

"The problem is a statement of the

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been a great effort to hammer the rail-

road. The drift is toward the other, second thought. There has been an excess of commissioning. The best railroad knowledge in all the land ought to light the way. Public service ought to be the guiding purpose, unheeding public clamor.

"I believe it is the opinion of nine-tenths of every hundred thinking people that the railways of the country are entitled to an increase of rates, and would gladly see it granted."

"Under our present system of reduced and insufficient earnings, and with increased cost of operation, there are no marked railway betterments except in the high tide of earnings when cost is highest and improvements are hampered by traffic operations. We ought to reverse this order and provide an ample earning in good times to enable extensive betterment to be made in the dull period. This would tend to better service in the days of the revival. Meanwhile the expenditure for betterments would relieve the railway of such conditions as we consider of today."

"Through agitation and restriction there has come impaired credit, until there is a threatening collapse of the railroad system. These items of maintenance and betterments have been overlooked by the political shortsightedness of the lack of successful operation is due to the unwieldy political agitation and to the harassment of conflicting authority because of varied state legislation and state commissions. We ought to put the entire railway service under interstate control. Such a policy would save millions in public expense and put us on a broad plane. The law making industry is too often worked over the country needs today less legislative bills pending and more railroad bills of law."

"It is apparent that the interstate commerce commission believes in the pressing necessity for increased earnings, but opposes the short and direct route. The rate increase would be direct and immediate. Other remedial efforts would be left to follow the slower process of evolved action. If the continued income from increased rates and added service charges made excessive earnings, contrary to public policy, the same authority which grants the increase could order a reduction."

"A general rate advance will not bring the complete revival of American activity, but it will save the crash of the temple of transportation, establish railway credit and lead to that physical rehabilitation which is of prime importance in ministering to greater American activities."

DARING HOLDUP

Boston Girl Brutally Assaulted and Robbed of Her Handbag

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Another daring holdup took place early last evening in the Back Bay, when Miss Ellen W. Coolidge of 51 Marlboro street was brutally assaulted and robbed of her handbag, containing \$5.92, by a man near the corner of Marlboro and Arlington streets, just across from the public garden.

Miss Coolidge struggled with the robber, and in so doing sustained a series of severe blows on her body. It was not until the leather strap of her handbag gave way that the thief finally got the bag.

Miss Coolidge cried for help, gave chase and later was present when her assailant was captured in the public garden by a young man and placed under arrest by Special Officer Lyons of the Back Bay station. Miss Coolidge was about to make a statement when she was attacked. She was walking along Marlboro street from her home and was about to turn into Arlington street when a husky man jumped in front of her, grabbed hold of her bag and tried to get away with it.

She resisted, despite his threats, and clung to the bag, even when he struck her three or four times. Then the man gave way and he ran off. Miss Coolidge all the time was crying for help and pursued her assailant as he ran along Arlington street and then into Brimmer street. A young man, whose name is not known to the police, gave chase to the robber, who turned into the public garden.

As he was running along the robber tripped and fell and the young man jumped on top of him and held him until the arrival of Special Officer Lyons. The bag was recovered.

Miss Coolidge was considerably worked up over her experience, but held her nerve all through the trying ordeal. The prisoner was taken to station 16, where he gave the name of Joseph Glynn, 27 years old, and claimed to live at 58 Dover street, South End.

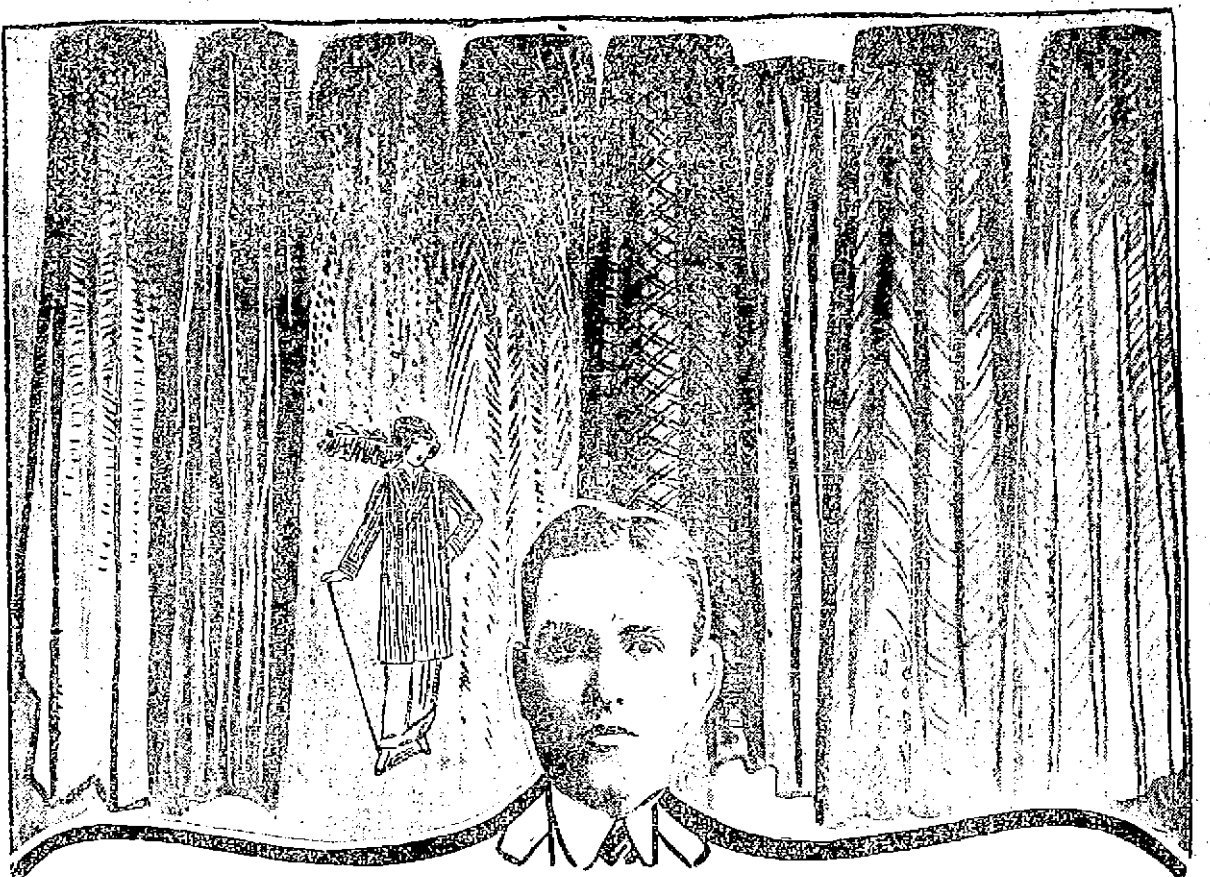
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—A downward trend in wholesale prices of leading articles of factory consumption and many of the staple articles of food in 1913 and 1914 down to the level of the European war and a rapid rise in prices of foodstuffs following that event are indicated by a pamphlet just issued by the department of commerce through the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. The booklet, entitled "The Wholesale Prices of Leading Articles in the United States Markets," is the 10th in a series of 12, and may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., for the nominal sum of 10 cents. Its practical value is far beyond what might be inferred from its price for it contains a weekly record of the price fluctuations of the principal raw materials of industry, such as iron and steel, petroleum, coal, wool and tin, and the leading foodstuffs including wheat, corn, sugar, coffee, tea, rice and beef.

Contained also, manila, pig iron, steel billets and blooms, petroleum, copper, silk, tin, spelter and silver were in each case at a lower price level in the closing week of July last than in the corresponding period a year ago, and rice was also true of sugar, cotton and wheat. Wheat, corn, cattle, and domestic wool were a little higher than in the preceding year. Australia wool showed a precipitate decline immediately following the date at which wool was transferred in the free list, the average price dropping from 32 cents per pound on December 5, 1913, to 61 cents on December 12 of that year. The value of prices of these and numerous other articles by weeks from January 1, 1913, to October 31, 1914, is shown in the pamphlet in question.

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Contract requirements compel me to take these goods from certain mills, under conditions, or I will lose those mills, and some of my advantages during the busy season. I have to turn these goods into money while they are seasonable. Next month everybody will be marking down, but next month there will be no market worthy of the name. I MARK DOWN THIS MONTH—NOW—TODAY—when you need clothing, and when the mark down means something to you.

LADIES! I have 30 styles in beautiful Plaid Back Overcoatings which are also included in this sale. This cloth would cost you wholesale around \$2.50 to \$3.50 a yard, but I happened to get hold of a trade early in the season, and it isn't moving. Some of these styles are displayed in the above cut.

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OPPOSED TO NEW LOAN TO CHINA BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Prominent Chinese societies of the United States, among which were included Boston residents, yesterday forwarded to President Wilson a message asking him to refuse a new loan of \$50,000,000 to the present Chinese government.

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NEW PASTOR CALLED

MEMBERS OF GRACE CHURCH EXTEND UNANIMOUS CALL TO REV. H. E. DENTON OF STAMFORD

Rev. Herbert E. Denton of Stamford, Conn., has been given a unanimous call to the pastorate of Grace Universalist church, to succeed Rev. C. R. Skinner. The vote to extend the call was taken at the meeting of the members of the church last evening. A month or so ago a call was extended to Rev. Leonard B. Bird of San Diego, Cal., who accepted conditionally, and who later found it necessary to withdraw his acceptance.

Mr. Denton has supplied the pulpit of the Grace church only once, Nov. 22, on which occasion he made a very good impression. At the present time he is pastor of the Universalist church of Stamford, of which he has had charge for the past six years. Previously to his Stamford pastorate he occupied the pulpit of a California church. Mr. Denton is married and has one son, aged 11 years. His wife is a daughter of Dr. Levi M. Powers of Gloucester and a graduate of a theological seminary.

The meeting last evening was called for the express purpose of extending a call to Mr. Denton. Perry D. Thompson was the moderator.

Part of the government's exhibit for the Panama California exposition at San Diego leaves Washington this week. This portion has to do with the national forests of New Mexico, and will be shown in the New Mexico building, the exhibit having been prepared in cooperation with the state board of exposition commissioners of that state. The material also shows specimens of the principal timber trees of New Mexico and their uses. Other exposition material is to leave

soon for San Francisco, where it will form a part of the Panama Pacific exposition. Part of this is being prepared through cooperation between the forest service and the United States civil service commission. The commission passes on the qualifications of all candidates for positions in the forest service, testing the fitness of those who wish to become forest officers through outdoor examinations in riding, surveying, timber estimating, and similar matters as well as by more conventional methods; its exhibit will illustrate the duties of these officers. Cooperation also exists in the preparation of exhibit material, between the forest service and the bureau of education. This shows how forest subjects are used in the public schools, in connection with nature study, commercial geography, agriculture, and the like. One of the exhibits is a display made by the normal school pupils of the District of Columbia, in which a number of those who are studying for teachers' positions entered a prize contest on tree study. Each of the contestants prepared a separate exhibit showing the life history and the products of individual trees, such as white pine, hickory, or sugar maple.

STUDYING AT WORCESTER

New Head of the Original Mormon Church Aiming for Doctor's Degree at Clark University, Worcester

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—Frederick M. Smith, who will succeed his father, Joseph Smith, as president of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints, resides here with his wife and two daughters at 5 Wells street.

He came last September to take up a course in Clark University for the degree of doctor of philosophy. One daughter attends the Worcester classical high school and the other is a pupil in a Worcester grammar school. Mr. Smith was born in Nauvoo, Ill., about 10 years ago, attended the public schools there, secured the degree A. B. from the University of Iowa and later the degree A. M. from the University of Kansas. For a number of years the duties of head of the reorganized Mormon church have fallen on his shoulders, because of his father's failing health.

Mr. Smith is a deep student of sociological work and a member of the Society of Political Economy of New York. He was also associated with Frank Kenyon in exposing polygamy in magazine articles. He was a government witness in the case against United States Senator Reed Smoot of Utah and also aided the government in the effort to stamp out polygamy. He was unable to tell what the plans of her husband are for the future, but that he hoped to be able to complete his course at Clark University.

HIGHLAND CLUB WHIST

The following were the winners of the progressive whist tournament at the Highland club Wednesday evening: First prize, crystal sherry set, won by Mrs. Roy Lovejoy; second prize, cut glass creamer and sugar bowl, won by Mrs. C. Harry Clapp; third prize, salad dish on silver base, won by Mrs. Rena Hanson; consolation prize, a shawl and paper cutter, won by Mrs. John Morrison. Refreshments were served. The affair was in charge of Alexander Strauss, A. H. Morton and James S. Hanson.

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EDISON IS UNDAUNTED

HAD NO INSURANCE BECAUSE COMPANY ONCE INSULTED HIM, HE SAYS

WEST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 11.—Thomas A. Edison, after planning all night the rebuilding of his factories swept by fire, went to sleep yesterday afternoon, and Mrs. Edison said to him that he was not disturbed. When he awoke he said with a chuckle and a sigh:

"It's just another experience, mine, as a rule, are not so expensive."

"What would you estimate the loss to be, Mr. Edison?"

"I think about \$200,000," answered the inventor.

"No, I didn't have any insurance. I understand, though, that the boys had placed some insurance on two frame buildings; I don't know how much."

By "the boys" he meant the men associated with him, some of them of nearly his own age. He went on: "I'll tell you how I felt about insurance. A good many years ago I owned a factory that we decided to abandon. It was insured. General of insurance was refused. The company said that abandoning the factory raised a 'moral issue' as to the insurance."

"What they meant and made clear was that they thought I might set that abandoned factory afire to get the insurance. Well, I just made up my mind that never hereafter would any one get a chance to raise 'moral issue' about my business."

The smile in the corners of his mouth deepened and his eyes, which had flashed for an instant, became thoughtful as he continued:

"The big lesson of this fire has been the value of concrete construction. My buildings are gutted but there they stand ready for refitting."

"One error revealed was in not using steel window sashes and trim, and

wired glass that withstands great heat. We will certainly have to use that finish henceforth. My good friend, Henry Ford, tells me that all his automobile factories have this steel trim and wired glass."

"Our own water system would have served had not the electric wires been wrecked by the fire. We were pumping 800 to 900 gallons a minute when the wires went."

The inventor passed a moment, bowing his gray head and folding his hands. Then he looked up and said with a twinkle:

"My workshop is saved. The place

where I spend my money is all right, but the place where I make it is all gone."

Pleased with his epigram, he laughed a little and then added:

"That's the way it goes. This is the second time I've lost \$2,500,000 in a jump. I once sank that much in a plant at Edison, N. J. It's all in the game. I like the game. It will take a whole lot more than this to stop me."

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WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

A NICE CHRISTMAS GIFT

"Oh, Marie, I am quite destitute. I have only \$6 and I must buy auntie and father's Christmas presents with that," sighed Marjorie.

"Why not make them something pretty? I am sure they would appreciate a product of your needle-work more than anything you could buy in a shop," answered Marie.

"But what could I make?" questioned Marjorie, fatteringly.

"Well, I should think a beautiful little silk work-bag that could be used for holding a small quantity of sewing would be good," suggested Marie.

"Just the thing. Why it was only yesterday that my chum's mother wrapped her sewing up in paper to carry over to a friend's house, and I am sure she would like a work-bag," Marjorie replied enthusiastically.

"I think Madame would be pleased, too, as she does not own one, and if you like I will tell you how to make it. First it is best to hunt the bargain counters for short ends of silk and ribbon. Choose something of a Dresden or a Persian design and line it with a plain color," answered Marie.

"Now to make the work-bag follow

these directions. From the broadened ribbon five inches in width cut five equal sections two inches wide at the greatest diameter. Then cut diagonally through each side of the plain section and draw them tightly, until the section measures ten inches long.

"Join the sections, using silk until the bag is complete allowing the points to fall free from within three inches of the top."

Line the bag with plain silk and run two rows of stitching three and one-half inches apart. Through this thread draw strings together with silk tassels.

"The broadened ribbon used for this bag is of tapestry blue, broadened in a design of white and gold, the plain ribbon is a pale tint of blue, and the tassels are blue and white. Blue and gold color, pink and old rose, and pink and pale blue are effective combinations for this bag."

"Oh, I am so anxious to begin them that I think I will go now and I thank you a thousand times, you have saved my life," laughed Marjorie.

"Now to make the work-bag follow

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We have purchased the entire stock of Barrios Diamonds from the Harding Co., Inc., 507 Washington St., Boston, Mass., that they formerly sold from \$1.50 to \$4.50. Our price 50c. This is the chance of a life time.

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Set with 1/2 carat brilliant Barrios Diamond. Set in solid gold shell mounting. Regular price \$2.50. Sale price 50c

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Set with 1/2 carat brilliant Barrios Diamond. Set in solid gold shell mounting. Regular price \$2.50. Sale price 50c

Ear Rings—Choice of Screw, Pierceless or Drop. Selection of 1/2 to 1 carat sparkling Barrios Diamonds. Former price \$2.50. Sale price 50c

Gents' Tooth Ring

Set with 1 carat sparkling Barrios Diamond. Mounting guaranteed. Former price \$3.50. Sale price 50c

Scarf Pin—Ruby, emerald, sapphire or opal center. Surrounded by 10 brilliant Barrios Diamonds. Guaranteed mounting. Regular price \$3.50. Sale price 50c

Ladies' Twin Ring

Set with two 1/2 carat sparkling Barrios Diamonds. Mounting fully guaranteed. Former price \$3.50. Sale price 50c

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Every ring fully guaranteed for wear. Former price \$1.50. Sale price 50c

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Set with 1 carat sparkling Barrios Diamond. Mounting fully guaranteed. Former price \$3.50. Sale price 50c

Link Buttons—Set with brilliant sparkling Barrios Diamonds. Mountings guaranteed 21 years. \$2.50 value. Sale price 50c

Pendant and Chain

15-inch soldered link, gold filled chain. Gold filled pendant set with 1/2 carat brilliant Barrios Diamond drop. Regular price \$2.50. Sale price 50c

Ladies' Cluster Ring

Ring Ruby, emerald, opal or sapphire center. Surrounded by 10 brilliant Barrios Diamonds. Guaranteed mounting. Regular price \$3.50. Sale price 50c

Pendant and Chain

15-inch soldered link chain, gold filled pendant set with 1/2 carat brilliant Barrios Diamond drop. Regular price \$2.50. Sale price 50c

Gents' Belcher Ring

Set with 1/2 carat brilliant Barrios Diamond. Set in solid gold shell mounting. Regular price \$2.50. Sale price 50c

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Set with 5-6 carat brilliant Barrios Diamonds. Mountings guaranteed a lifetime. Value \$4.50. Sale price 50c

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FIVE FIREMEN THROWN

NONE IS SERIOUSLY INJURED, HOWEVER, WHEN THEIR HOSE WAGON UPSIDE

MILFORD, Dec. 11.—While answering an alarm yesterday, hose 2 slid off at the corner of Depot and Central streets and upset, throwing five fire-

men to the street. Driver Edward Duggan kept hold of the reins and saved a runaway. Perley Jeffrey was struck a glancing blow by the wagon and sustained a sprained ankle and bruises on the body.

Duggan, Harold Trudell, Lester Reed and Christopher McMahon were the others upset, but none suffered more than bruises. The fire was a slight blaze in the house owned by Michele Abbattino.

DAVID LERNER A SUICIDE

WORCESTER EXPECTANT BRIDEGROOM BECOMES DESPONDENT ON LOSING MONEY

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—Despondent over the fact, it is said, that he had no money for his marriage, which he had planned to take place soon, David Lerner, aged 23, of 2 Blake street, committed suicide last night by inhaling gas at his home.

He was found fully dressed on his bed by his mother, who thought at first he had fainted. She summoned Police Surgeon Joseph A. Smith, who applied the pulmonary in an attempt to save the young man's life.

Lerner had carefully removed the cap from the gas jet, and then lain down on the bed. He left several letters, now in the hands of the police. Two weeks ago the money Lerner had saved for his wedding was stolen by a roommate.

NATIONAL LEAGUE BASEBALL MAGNATES HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING IN NEW YORK CITY



NATIONAL LEAGUE MAGNATES

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The meeting of the owners and managers of the National League brought out a larger attendance than usual because of the important questions to be discussed and the desire of various managers to make trades that would strengthen their teams. Standing, left to right, Robert H. Davis, Boston; Harry Ackerland, Chicago; Edward J. McKeever, Brooklyn; John C. Toole, Boston; Stephen McKeever, Brooklyn; John Heydler, secretary; John D. Foster, New York; Harry Stephens, Cincinnati. Seated, left to right, S. P. Britton, St. Louis; Harry N. Hempstead, New York; James Gaffney, Boston; J. J. Tener, president; Argus Herrmann, Cincinnati; Charles H. Ebbels, Brooklyn; Barney Dreyfuss, Pittsburgh; C. R. Thomas, Chicago, and William F. Baker, Philadelphia.

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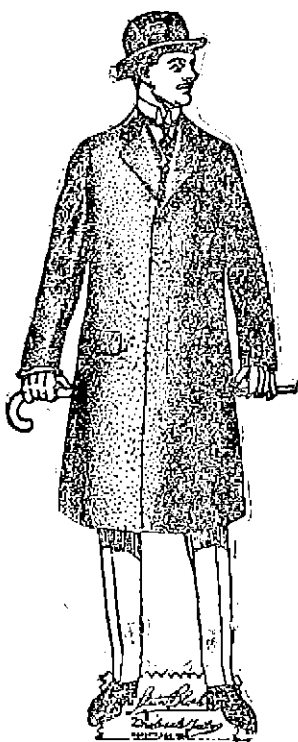
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What Better Christmas Gift for a Man Than a Nice Bath Robe?

The feature of this season's stock of robes at this store is the good selection at popular prices. At \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.50 there are fine blanket robes in quiet and bold designs and tasteful colorings with notch collars, buttoning at the neck, and shawl collars with silk cording, binding and silk girdles.

Navajo art craft wool robes, which are not shown elsewhere in town, are real class in high grade robes for men. Priced at \$10, \$12 and \$15.

Gifts Men Would Like

Mackinaw Coats in plain colors, stripes and plaids, and Indian designs, \$6.50 to \$10

Dress Vests, in pique, and mercerized fabrics \$3 to \$5

Pajamas, in seersucker, flannel or silk mixed some initialled \$1.00 to \$3.00

Golf Jackets, heavy shaker knit, some with collars \$3.00, \$5.00, \$6.00

Umbrellas, cotton or silk bodies, smart handles, \$1.00 to \$5.00

Shirts for dress or business. Manhattan and our own special label shirts \$1.00, \$1.50 up to \$3.50

Neckwear, woven, knitted and crocheted silks, 25c, 50c up to \$2.00

Gloves, unlined, well lined and fur lined, \$1.15, \$1.50 up to \$5.00

Hosiery, silk or silk \$25c, 50c, \$1.00

Handkerchiefs, linen, linen or silk initialled or plain \$12 1/2c, 25c, 50c

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SEC. HOUSTON'S REPORT

Says New Bank Law Takes Just and Particular Knowledge of Farmers' Requirements

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—That there is no emergency, which justifies government assistance to farmers directly through the use of government cash or credit, was the position taken by Secretary Houston of the department of agriculture, in discussing rural credits in his annual report submitted yesterday to President Wilson. Secretary Houston's statement was regarded as indicating the policy of the administration.

Secretary Houston pointed out that the new bank law "takes just and particular knowledge of the farmer's requirements." He suggested that any credit needs of the agricultural community beyond those cared for under the federal reserve law should be cared for by a system of "cooperative credit associations," financed with private funds, by means of which the combined credit of farming communi-

Marketing System

ties could be utilized, and by a system of land mortgage banks, likewise, privately capitalized.

"There seems to be no emergency which requires or justifies government assistance to the farmers directly through the use of the government's cash or the government's credit," said the report. "The American farmer is sturdy, self-reliant and independent. He is not in the condition of serfdom or semi-serfdom in which were the European peoples from whom government aid was extended in some form or other during the last century."

In advocating a land mortgage banking system, and a system of cooperative credit associations, the report asserted that the use of the funds loaned for productive purposes on the farms covered by the mortgages should be insisted upon.

Mr. Houston's report reviews the investigation of the marketing and distribution system and while the study is not yet sufficiently finished to admit of final conclusions, the work thus far shows the need of a reorganization of the distribution process. He says:

"During the present grass season, for example, Chicago has received Mexican, Canadian and Florida cattle at about the same time. Steers raised in California by an Oregon operator have been shipped through Denver to Omaha and the beef sent to points on the Atlantic coast. Hogs raised in Illinois and sold at Indianapolis have been slaughtered at Boston and a part of their cured bacon shipped to Los Angeles. Michigan dressed veal calves expressed to South Water street commission houses at Chicago have been returned to the identical shipping points from which they came to fill orders from local retail markets."

Secretary Houston asks congress for an additional emergency appropriation of several million dollars on account of the recent outbreak of the foot-and-mouth disease among cattle. He said that if the interval between the last and the present session of congress had been longer the department would have been without sufficient funds to meet the situation.

"The department," he said, "has pursued its former policy of purchasing diseased and exposed cattle at an appraised value and of slaughtering them and burying them. It has established a very strict quarantine. The expense of this task will be very great and it will be necessary to ask congress for an emergency appropriation of several millions of dollars. The interests at stake are vast and justify any reasonable expenditure."

Standard Grain Grades

The report sets forth the activities of the department in establishing standard grain grades, and in the initial administration of the new cotton futures law, which the secretary calls the "first definite systematic local approach to the solution of difficult problems in this field of distribution."

The secretary recommends consideration of legislation to establish a permissive warehousing system for grain and cotton. He pointed out that the warehouse facilities for cotton in the south are not centralized.

"If the warehouses now in existence of so as to comply with the underwriters' requirements, and were bonded, and if adequate business methods were adopted the shipping of the cotton crop would be materially improved. Such a system would furnish relief in times of emergency and would form a useful part of the normal distributive system. It is probable that a federal law for a permissive warehousing system would stimulate this desirable development."

While the production of grain generally showed a great increase in the crop of 1914, the report pointed out the production of corn showed no advance, and the meat production showed a distinct decline. In this connection the secretary points out a "lamentable neglect of live stock production in the south."

The secretary's report includes a table giving the census figures for 1909 and 1905, showing that in all products except corn and meat animals there has been a marked increase in production during the ten-year period. Continuing, the report says:

Record Wheat Crop

"We know that the wheat crop of 1914 of approximately 492,000,000 bushels is the greatest ever produced in our history, and that the crops of oats, barley, rye, potatoes, tobacco, and hay are unusually large. The cotton crop, forecast in October at 15,240,000 bales, is the second largest. The apple crop, estimated at 250,000,000 bushels, is the greatest ever harvested. The total production of six leading cereals is estimated to have been nearly 3,000,000,000 bushels, or about 425,000,000 bushels in excess of the crop of 1913. For the country as a whole the crop yields per acre were 2.3 per cent. better than the average for the past ten years. The average yield per acre of all the staple crops was 5.4 per cent. greater than 1913, and, except for corn, oats, and flaxseed, greater than the ten-year average."

"But after all our efforts, while there is an increased diversification of agriculture and with a relative and absolute interest in important products, such as wheat, forage crops, fruits, dairy products, and poultry, we still have not only a relative but also an absolute decrease in a number of our important staple food products, such as corn and meat. In the former the last 15 years there has been no substantial advance. In cattle, sheep, and hogs the loss has been an absolute decline—in cattle, from the census year of 1899 to that of 1909, from 50,000,000 head to 41,000,000; in sheep, from 41,000,000 to 32,000,000; in hogs, from 42,000,000 to 38,000,000. Since 1905 the tendency has been downward, and yet during the period since 1899 the population has increased over 20,000,000. This situation exists not in a crowded country but in one which is still in a measure a land of open range, with only 400,000,000 acres of arable land, has only 400,000,000 of 45 per cent. under cultivation; and in one in which the population per square mile does not exceed 31 and ranges from 9.7 persons in Nevada to 505 in Rhode Island."

In urging farmers generally to diversify their products and especially to produce beef, swine and poultry, at least for home consumption, the secretary adds:

"If farmers in the south had heretofore provided diversification, on a sufficiently large scale, producing their own home supplies, that section would not be in its present hard case. The experts of this department are laboring earnestly to bring about a better direction of the agricultural activities of the south."

The report reviewed the increased activity of the department's information bureau and included a statement of the plans for a reorganization of the department to increase efficiency. The opening up of the forest reserve in a manner that would add local communities and at the same time preserve the forests, and a system whereby the government could bear a part of the local burden of taxation, thereby charged against future timber sales, where forests are not at present available for timbering, were recommended.

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MALDEN MAN ESCAPES

WILLIAM CLARK RUSHES IN NIGHT CLOTHES FROM BURNING HOUSE AT SAO, MAINE

SAO, Dec. 11.—William Clark, aged 68 years, of Malden, Mass., who has been living alone in a 14-story farmhouse owned by Arthur Peabody of Malden, escaped in his night clothes when the building was burned to the ground yesterday.

He was awakened by the glare of

James. The front room was on fire, and the others were fast filling with smoke. He grabbed his clothing and started to escape. He was blinded by the smoke and it was with difficulty that he groped his way to the kitchen and to the doorway.

Although the temperature was near freezing, and the wind was blowing a gale, Mr. Clark dressed in the yard. There were no houses within a quarter of a mile. He was able to secure a few of his belongings, but the fire finally drove him back. He was standing in the yard watching the fire when Arthur Guertin, a milkman, drove by.

He gave the alarm, and James W. Henderson telephoned to the central fire station. The buildings were still when the firemen arrived. The fire communicated with the grass and was racing toward a timber lot when

stopped by the firemen.

The loss on the building and contents is \$500, with no insurance. Mr. Clark will return to Malden.

CHINESE CROWD COURT

EXTRA PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT TROUBLE IN BOSTON—MEMBERS OF RIVAL TONGS IN SUIT

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—An echo of the war between the Chinese factions known as the Hop Sing Tong and the On Leong Tong, which culminated in a murderous attack on Oxford place a few years ago, followed by the execution of three Chinese for murder in the

first degree and life imprisonment for the instigator of the crime, was heard yesterday in a trial begun before Judge Wentworth in the municipal civil court.

The courtroom and the corridor were crowded by Chinese, and the court officers, with the Oxford place tragedy in mind, took extra precautions to guard against an outbreak.

The suit under consideration was brought by Harry Yee Sing Tang, a laundryman, against Yee Goo Tee of 11 Harrison avenue, and the plaintiff is seeking \$2000 for an alleged false arrest, made as he claims at the instance of Tee.

Tang is a member of the Hop Sing Tong, and Tee belongs to the On Leong Tong.

He had Tang arrested on July 14 last on a charge of larceny of \$675, which Tee said he let Tang have to buy a laundry in Lynn. In the municipal criminal court Tang was found not guilty and discharged.

Tang testified before Judge Wentworth yesterday that the trouble between him and Tee arose out of Tang's going to Tee's grocery store and being induced to gamble. After the game was over Tee claimed that Tang owed

him \$400, and later, as Tang claims, Tee offered, if Tang would pay him \$50, to make no trouble about it.

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DISCUSS ADMIRAL FLETCHER'S TESTIMONY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Inquiry into the condition of the American navy, in the light of the European war, was continued in open session today before the house naval affairs committee. Secretary Daniels had been invited as the principal witness before the committee.

Committee members were still discussing today the remarkable testimony of Rear-Admiral Fletcher, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, before the committee yesterday when he frankly discussed the condition of the navy as contrasted with the navies of the United States and Great Britain.

SEC. DANIELS TESTIFIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Secretary Daniels was the star witness today before the house naval affairs committee.

before the house naval committee. "I have recommended this year we continue the regular and normal construction recommended last year," said the secretary. "It seems to me wise policy for steady enlargement. This included two dreadnoughts, six destroyers, eight submarines or more (one of each type), and seven or more of the coast defense type, one gunboat and one other. The president approved this."

Dr. Daniels characterized as extravagant suggestions that in the light of the European experience there should be 100 submarines and 50 battleships. The president, he says, believes in the steady development of the navy. The president, he added, recommended that congress make the navy more powerful in the ordinary way that we did at the last congress.

"For the first time for many years the navy strength of personnel is full. Of every six men offered for service we have declined five. I am not asking for men at this congress. We must, however, add them as we add to the ships. At the next session of congress I shall ask for more men."

"After the European war is over we will learn a great many lessons. It would be a great mistake if we were to say that because we hope for universal disarmament we should stop now. We would be in a much better position if we continued construction than if we were to quit now."

COLLATERAL LOAN CO.

ALLEGED THEFTS INVESTIGATED BY GRAND JURY UNDER DIRECTION OF DIST. ATTORNEY

BOSTON, Dec. 10.—The alleged thefts in the Collateral Loan Co. were investigated by the grand jury under the direction of District Attorney Pollock this morning. The case of forfeiture of \$55,000, was also called to the attention of the jury.

DR. JOSEPH N. MARSTON

MAN DEAD AT BELLEVUE HOSPITAL, NEW YORK, BELIEVED TO BE LOWELL RESIDENT

A man answering the description of Dr. Joseph N. Marston of this city is dead at Bellevue hospital, New York. Mrs. Marston went to New York Tuesday as the result of a message which she received from the superintendent of the hospital. A letter addressed to Joseph N. Marston was found in the dead man's pocket and the description given by the hospital superintendent tallies exactly with that of Dr. Marston, in height, weight, hair, complexion, teeth, etc. Dr. Marston has been away from Lowell for about two months.

COTTON CROP REPORT

DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE ANNOUNCES THAT TOTAL PRODUCTION WILL BE 15,900,000 BALES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—More exact information as to the size of this year's cotton crop, which indications point to being probably a record one, was given today when the department of agriculture in its final estimate announced the total production would amount to 15,900,000 bales of 500 lbs. gross weight, exclusive of lint. This compares with 14,156,435 bales last year and 14,795,367 bales, including lint, in 1912 and 14,312,715, including lint, in 1913. The average total production, exclusive of lint, for five years, 1908-12, was 12,500,000 bales. The production of lint is about 200,000 bales annually.

The final official figures giving the exact size of this year's crop will be issued by the census bureau next March when complete statistics from the ginneries have been compiled. While this year's crop is a large one its value will fall far below that of last year because of the price of cotton. Last year's crop, a record in price of value, was worth in the aggregate \$1,043,750,000, the value of the line being \$881,100,000 and of the cotton seed, \$162,650,000.

The estimated production, with comparisons, by states, follows:

States	1914	1913
Alabama	2,100,000	2,400,000
Arkansas	1,500,000	1,700,000
California	1,300,000	1,500,000
Florida	1,200,000	1,400,000
Georgia	1,100,000	1,300,000
Illinois	1,000,000	1,200,000
Indiana	900,000	1,100,000
Iowa	800,000	1,000,000
Kansas	700,000	900,000
Mississippi	600,000	800,000
Missouri	500,000	700,000
Nebraska	400,000	600,000
Nevada	300,000	500,000
New Mexico	200,000	400,000
North Carolina	100,000	300,000
South Carolina	100,000	300,000
Texas	1,000,000	1,200,000
Tennessee	1,000,000	1,200,000
Virginia	1,000,000	1,200,000
West Virginia	1,000,000	1,200,000
All other states	1,000,000	1,200,000

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SWEET POTATOES 6 lbs. 25c	SUGAR—Have all you want 5 1/2c lb.
BREAD FLOUR, best kinds 85c bag	CHICKEN, fresh killed, 3 to 4 lbs. 20c
Small Bags Bread Flour 7 lbs. 27c	FOWL, fresh killed, 5 to 6 lbs. 17c
Best Pastry Flour 70c bag	FOWL—2 to 3 lbs. 15c lb.

NEW CANNED GOODS	SWIFT'S HORAX SOAP	BISCUITS
Raspberries 12 1/2c	Lenox, 9 bars 25c	Butter Thins 10c
Karo Syrup 8c	Welcome, 7 bars 25c	Ginger Snaps 5c
Corn 8c	Polo, 10 bars 25c	Fig Bars, lb. 10c
Tomatoes 8c	Fels Naptha, 6 bars 25c	Milk Crackers, lb. 8c
Pens 8c	Lighthouse, 7 bars 25c	Cocoa Jumbles, lb. 10c
Salmon, pink 10c	Star, 6 bars 25c	Mush Cakes, lb. 10c
Salmon, red 15c	Star Powder, 6 pkgs. 25c	Takomas, 3 pkgs. 10c
Sardines 4c	Lighthouse Powder, 1 lb. pkg. 17c	Soda Crackers 8c
Lemon Cling Peaches 15c	Ivory, 6 bars 25c	

TEA and COFFEE	LARD	BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE	VEGETABLES
Yuri Oolong 25c lb.	ARMOUR'S COMPOUND	Peanut Butter 10c lb.	Pickling Onions 15c pk.
Formosa Oolong 25c lb.	20 lb. tubs \$1.75	Process Butter 30c lb.	Canada Turnips 20 lb.
Orange Assam 25c lb.	10 lb. pails \$1.00	Woodlawn Creamery 34c lb.	Peek 25c
Irish Tea 40c lb.	5 lb. pails .55c	Daisy Creamery 32c lb.	Carrots 2 1/2c lb.
English Breakfast 25c lb.	3 lb. pails .33c	Vermont Butterine (2-3 butter prints) 26c lb.	Parsnips 3c lb.
Bulk Cocoa 15c lb.		Butterine, Prints 14c	Past Squash 2c lb.
Lowrey's Cocoa, 1/2 lb. can 14c		Big Brown Eggs 28c doz.	Cranberries 5c qt.
Dandy Cocoa 1 lb. can 22c		Meadow Grove Eggs 30c doz.	Boston Lettuce 2 for 5c
Warrelta Cocoa, 1/4 lb. can 5c, 1/2 lb. can 12c		Brookfield Eggs 35c doz.	
Good Coffee 18c lb.		Fancy Cream Cheese 20c lb.	
Arbuckle's Ground Coffee 20c		New Cheese 15c lb.	
Yours Truly 1 lb. can 25c			
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BEANS FRUIT FISH

Pot Kidney Beans, new, qt. 10c	Large Sweet Oranges 20c doz.	Irish Mackerel, each 5c
New York Pea Beans, qt. 10c	Fancy Lemons 15c doz.	Large Mackerel, lb. 10c
German Green Peas, qt. 12c	No. 1 Baldwin Apples 15c pk.	Salt Salmon, lb. 10c
German Yellow Peas, qt. 10c	Baldwin Apples 10c pk.	Salt Herring, big 3 for 10c
Cranberry Beans, qt. 10c	New Figs, large pkg. 10c	Salt Herring 2 for 5c
California Pea Beans, qt. 14c	New, English Walnuts, 18c lb.	Boneless Codfish, lb. pkg. 8c
Lima Beans, lb. 8c		Boneless Codfish, loose 3 lbs. 25c
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NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The bond of \$1,000 furnished by H. L. Linder was forfeited today by the court of general sessions when Linder failed to appear before Judge Malone to plead formally to an indictment charging him with having violated section 552 of the penal law in revealing the contents of a telegraphic message sent out by The Associated Press Linder was a Postal Telegraph operator in the office of the New York Globe.
After Linder had testified before the grand jury, indictments were found against James Rice, telegraph manager of the New York News bureau, and William H. Patton, who conducted a sporting news service, charging them with wrongfully obtaining possession of and wrongfully revealing the contents of messages sent out by The Associated Press.
Patton is still in the Tombs, having been unable to furnish the \$500 bond fixed in his case. Rice is at liberty on \$500. Both pleaded not guilty today.
HEAD OF MORMON CHURCH DEAD
INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Dec. 10.—Joseph Smith, president of the Mormon church, died at his home here today. At his bedside were his son, Frederick Smith, who will succeed him as president of the church, and other members of his family who had been called from various parts of the United States.

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STEAMER OUT OF DANGER

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Cal., Dec. 10.—After a night of anxiety, while her anchors dragged and a southerly gale carried her dangerously close to the rocks of Point Arguello the passenger steamer Centralia rode at anchor this morning five miles off the California coast at the western end of Santa Barbara channel. The liner Harvard is standing by, the wind has died down and the Centralia although disabled by the bursting of a boiler tube is in no danger.

WITHHEW FEDERAL TROOPS
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Federal troops in the Colorado strike region probably will be withdrawn late today or tomorrow.

THE MERRIMACK RIVER

Lowell Men Urge Improvement
Appropriation of \$7,500,000—
President Invited to Speak Here

Strong arguments in favor of an appropriation of \$7,500,000 for the improvement and development of the Merrimack river from Lowell to the sea were presented to the committee on rivers and harbors yesterday, at Washington, by Congressman John Jacob Rogers and others. There were 19 delegates present at the meeting from six commercial organizations of cities in the Merrimack valley, and although only five of them addressed the meeting, all held informal conversations with the members and supplemented the speeches by private arguments. John H. Murphy, secretary of the Lowell board of trade, was one of the speakers. His statement to the committee was published in The Sun yesterday.

Following the hearing before the committee Congressman Rogers introduced the Lowell bill to President Wilson, to whom an invitation was extended to speak at the 25th anniversary of the Lowell board of trade on Feb. 8. This the president said he would consider. A dinner at a local hotel in the evening closed the activities of the visit.

Congressman Rogers' Statement

Congressman Rogers presented a carefully prepared statement to the committee. It was, in part, as follows:

I desire in the first place to emphasize strongly the fact that there is no disposition, so far as I am aware, anywhere in the Merrimack valley, or in Massachusetts, even, to attempt to procure an appropriation, large or small, for the improvement of the Merrimack river upon the "bock" barrel principle. We simply desire to have every material fact relative to the river put before the highest authorities having jurisdiction, so that they may then decide justly whether the facts warrant the expenditure of government funds upon the Merrimack river.

We are naturally handicapped at this time because of the adverse report handed down by Col. Craighill on Nov. 19th last. We are also heavily handicapped by the circumstance that this report has not even been noticed and indeed has not even been abstracted in the newspapers. It is true that two or three men, myself among them, have

been permitted to read over the report, but only under a strict injunction of secrecy. I do not refer to this fact in any spirit of criticism, but merely to point out how difficult it must necessarily be at this time to rebut the points raised in a report of considerable length and in large measure of a technical character. It was the existence of these barriers to an effective argument that led us, when we appeared before the board of engineers yesterday afternoon, to our appeal from Col. Craighill's report, to ask either that this report be forthwith recommitted to Col. Craighill for the re-examination of certain vital aspects of the problem or that we be given a continuance without prejudice for two or three months, during which those interested might have fair opportunity to examine a printed copy of the Craighill report and, if desirable, to engage skilled engineering assistance in dissecting it.

When Congress convened on Monday of this week I introduced a bill (H. R. 1540) which was referred to your committee. It reads as follows:

"A BILL
Appropriating money for the improvement of Merrimack river from its mouth to Lowell, Massachusetts.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, That the sum of \$7,500,000 be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, which sum shall be expended, under the direction of the secretary of war, for the improvement, for purposes of navigation, of the Merrimack river from its mouth to Lowell, Mass."

I ask for \$7,500,000 because the estimate of Colonel Craighill of the cost of engineering from the mouth of the river up to Lowell is \$2,728,000 and because I desire to suggest only a relatively small increase over his statement of the estimate of the bare cost of engineering. Colonel Craighill estimates that the cost of paying floodage claims and providing terminal facilities would add some \$3,900,000 more. If estimate of the amount of floodage claims far exceeds that of local experts who think, and I understand are prepared to prove, that this item would be relatively trivial. The cities up and down the banks of the Merrimack have already guaranteed to provide terminal facilities, so it would seem that this item also would be greatly reduced from Colonel Craighill's estimate. If indeed it would not disappear altogether. In any event, the commonwealth of Massachusetts has already appropriated \$1,000,000 toward the improvement of the Merrimack river, provided the United States would pay for the remainder of the work. I think it is fair therefore to say that so far as the federal government is concerned the problem is one involving seven and one-half millions of dollars, instead of ten millions of dollars.

Colonel Craighill's position is that that the saving to result from a navigable Merrimack river ought annually to amount to 4% upon the \$10,000,000 capital invested. He therefore estimates that \$400,000 is the necessary saving to be effected if the project is economically defensible. Besides this, he indicates that \$100,000 should be spent annually for maintenance. It will be observed, however, that if \$7,500,000 be accepted as the basis of calculation, the annual saving, at 4%, need be only \$300,000, or, including the \$100,000 for maintenance, \$400,000.

Saving in Transportation

Let us see if navigation would in fact effect this saving. Upon the answer to this inquiry depends the answer to the question whether the Merrimack river should or should not be made navigable. Others who will speak today will discuss in detail the extent to which the Merrimack river, if navigable, would be commercially used and how much a saving to the people of the section would result. I desire to submit just one consideration in this connection. Colonel Craighill estimates that an average of twenty cents per ton would be saved to the consumers of coal in the Merrimack valley upon the coal brought there by water. Is this a sufficient estimate of what would in fact be so saved? In a special report of the Merrimack valley waterway board (January, 1911), a commission appointed by authority of the Massachusetts legislature, to investigate Merrimack river navigability, it is stated:

"The total coal consumption of these cities and towns exceeds 1,200,000 tons, only about 125,000 tons of which is now received by water. In the opinion of the manufacturers along the river an adequate water route for the receipt of this commodity would effect a saving in freight of from 20 cents to \$1.40 a ton in addition to the saving in transportation charges on general merchandise, raw material and manufactured products."

It has not been possible in the short time since Col. Craighill's report was available, even for a hasty glance through it, to make an exhaustive examination of this point. This is one of the things which will be the subject of further and more detailed inquiry in the weeks to come. However, it can be confidently stated from an examination of the railroad rates for coal on file with the interstate commerce commission that the rates to Lowell and Lawrence are in the neighborhood of 50 cents to 55 cents a ton higher than those to Newburyport or Boston. In some cases the figures are even higher. The difference between Boston and Lawrence, for example, reaching 55 cents per ton. The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company states that the Boston rate and the Fall River rate are kept low by the competition of water transportation. The Pennsylvania railroad appends to its tariff a footnote to the same effect. In the report of Col. Edward Burr on the Merrimack river, dated May 23, 1910 (House document 6, 62d Congress, 1st session) it is said, page 5:

"In the absence of water transportation facilities Lawrence and Lowell there is no water-borne commerce at this time. All commercial transportation is in the hands of the railroads, which are now all owned and controlled by one corporation, the Boston & Maine railroad. Railroad freight rates throughout this section are relatively high."

In the report on the river and harbor bill for 1913 (Senate document



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Neckwear Sets.....48c, 98c and \$1.50

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Boys' Ties.....10c and 25c

Boys' Suspenders.....10c and 25c

Boys' Pajamas.....98c

Boys' Night Shirts.....48c

Boys' Underwear.....25c and 48c

Boys' Union Suits.....48c and \$1.00

Boys' Collars.....10c

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The annual election of officers of Highland council, 370, Royal Arcanum, was held last evening with the following result: Robert J. W. McKenney, vice regent; Charles E. Stuart, regent; John E. Lefebvre, past regent; Loren M. Fuller, secretary; W. Dana Hill, adjutant; Adolbert M. Hinton, treasurer; C. Frank Bates, chaplain; Herbert B. Montgomery, guide; J. Great Philney, warden; Albert W. Philney, secretary; Fred C. Rand, trustees; Alonzo G. Walsh, Frank Dodge and Alonzo Gray, representatives to the grand council; Loren M. Fuller and Wm. J. Casey, alternates; Felix D. Langrovin and Arthur H. Dana, representative to Hospital Fund association; Adolbert M. Hinton.

Court General Shields

At the regular meeting of Court General Shields, 16, Foresters of America, held last evening, the following officers were elected: C. R. John Lang, S. C. R., Patrick Roddy, F. J. Mc

James H. Cox, treasurer; J. L. McDough; R. S. W. C. Bowles; S. W. Patrick; C. J. W. John Daley; S. B. Owen; Morris; J. B. J. E. Lang; lecturer, John E. McGaugh; trustee for three years, Patrick Roddy; physician, Dr. Wm. M. Collins.

James A. Garfield Post

A well attended meeting of James A. Garfield Post 123, G. A. R., was held last evening with Commander F. E. Flanders in the chair. An invitation from Farragut camp 75, Sons of Veterans, to attend their annual campfire to be held in Post 155, G. A. R. hall on Friday evening, Dec. 18, was received and accepted, and all will go that way.

The following officers were elected to serve for the year 1915: Commander, F. E. Flanders; senior vice commander, Geo. W. Hunt; junior vice commander, Joseph Deane; quartermaster, Wm. L. Dickey; surgeon, W. H. Farwell; chaplain, A. J. Roles; officer of the day, A. W. Stokwell; officer of the guard, Marjahn Mansfield; trustee of post funds, E. J. Butler; C. H. Stokwell, C. H. Flanders; trustees of burial lot, C. H. Stokwell, C. H. Flanders; delegates to department convention, C. W. Philbrick, A. J. Roles, George E. Clogston; alternates, W. L. Dickey, T. O. Regan and A. W. Stokwell. The next meeting of the post will occur on Wednesday, Dec. 23.

1210, 62d Congress, 2d session, page 21, it is said:

"The improvement of the channel is reported to enable the delivery of coal by water at rates 25 to 50 cents per ton lower than by rail."

In the report of the chief of engineers, U. S. A., for 1913 (House document 102, 63d Congress, 2d session), page 65, it is stated:

"It is reported that the improvement made in reduced freight rates 25 cents per ton, and that if the projected depth of 15 feet at mean low water be obtained over the entire bay it would still further reduce the freight rates 15 to 25 cents per ton."

Save 20 Cents Per Ton

Some authorities put the saving in freight per ton as high as 20 cents to Lawrence and Lowell. I am, however, to nearest 30 cents instead of 20 cents as being a very conservative basis for further calculation.

As above stated the total amount of coal now used in the Merrimack valley and hauled overland by rail exceeds a million tons. Of course it is difficult to say that all this would be hauled by water even if the Merrimack river were made navigable. But in view of the official statements of the railroads themselves, it is not ridiculous to assume that the railroad rates would immediately drop to a true competitive figure. Perhaps some of you will say that this is not the case

very upon which our river should be made navigable—that the regulation of railroad rates should be made directly and not indirectly through improved water competition. Very likely. Yet we in the Merrimack valley are today struggling under high freight rates which we have for years vainly unsuccessfully to reduce. Furthermore, one of the great engineering officers of the United States army told me that in his opinion from one-third to one-half of the money spent by the United States for rivers and harbors in recent years was defensible only upon the theory that the effect of the expenditure would be to reduce railroad freight rates. But we of the Merrimack valley do vigorously contend that the river would be freely used up to Lowell and Lawrence, if such use were possible. As shown above, over 10 per cent of the coal used today throughout the valley is transported by water, although a channel is available only up to Haverhill, much the smallest, both in population and in industries, of the three Merrimack valley cities in Massachusetts; above Newburyport.

Save 200,000 Per Year

If but half of the one million tons of coal now carried by rail to the Merrimack valley were carried by water, and the saving very conservatively, but 20 cents per ton were thus saved,

there would be a resultant decrease in the amount paid for coal alone of \$200,000 per year. This is, of course, upon the assumption that the Merrimack valley will not grow industrially and hence in coal consumption. In fact Lowell has increased in population 12 per cent for the decade ending 1910, Lawrence 37 per cent, and Haverhill 15 per cent. This minimum saving of \$250,000 a year is, it will be remembered, for one commodity only and deals with conditions as they exist today with no allowance for increase in population or industries. It will be observed nevertheless that the amount represents three-fifths of the total saving which, upon Colonel Craighill's figures and theory, must be effected if the expenditure is to be deemed economically sound.

Your chairman was good enough to assign this hearing several months ago and in spite of the adverse report of the local engineer it seemed to those interested wise to come before you today as projected. I introduced the measure to which I have referred, calling for \$7,500,000 so that the question might be officially before you at this time. I will say to you frankly, and speaking only for myself, that I do not expect that this committee will report favorably upon the measure at present. We believe, however, that we shall secure a reversal of the adverse report of Colonel Craighill.

ther as a result of our appeal or as a result of its recommitment to him. When that report is reversed, as we believe it will be, we desire to have the matter before you in such a way that, if possible, action may be had at this session of Congress.

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The gypsum moth is treated to a solution of cresolate whenever found, and it is said that even this treatment is failed in many cases to eradicate them. Ship's Garden has 20 men at work on the property and after this is raised the property of the tax payers will be tickled.

BANKRUPTCY SCHEDULES

BOSTON, Dec. 10. — Bankruptcy schedules filed today by the Margo Trust Co. of Boston showed liabilities amounting to \$401,073 and assets \$251,641.

The list of unsecured creditors filed included banks at Calais, Me., Portland, Me., and Bangor, Me.; the Merchants' Bank of N. H., Saltville, Ky., and Springfield, Mo.

2,000,000 INSURED LIVES

Loss of 500,000 in War Could be Made Good in 10 Years by Abstinence From Liquor

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The loss of five hundred thousand men as the result of the present warfare could be made good in less than ten years

through complete abstinence from alcoholic beverages by all the inhabitants of Russia," according to Arthur Hunter, a New York actuary, who reported

to the convention of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents here today some of the results of an exhaustive mortality investigation just completed by the life insurance companies into losses insured lives in the past 25 years.

Mr. Hunter is chairman of the committee of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents here today

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Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, out sizes, were 50c.....	38c	Ladies' Fleeced Vests, were 25c.....	17c
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35c, 3 Suits for \$1.00

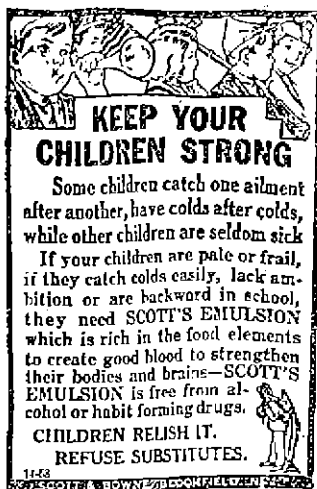
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sively proved that a steady free use of alcoholic beverages or occasional excesses are detrimental to the individual. In my judgment, it has also been proved beyond peradventure of doubt that total abstinence from alcohol is of value to humanity; it is certain that abstainers live longer than persons who use alcoholic beverages. Among the men who admitted that they had taken alcohol occasionally to excess in the past, but whose habits were considered satisfactory when they were insured, there were 285 deaths, while there would have been only 190 had this group been made up of insured lives in general. The extra mortality was, therefore, over 50 per cent, which was equivalent to a reduction in the average life of these men of over four years.

One of the most significant results of the investigation, he said, was the high mortality experienced among railroad men. Among locomotive engineers the mortality was 75 per cent in excess of that among the insured as a whole, which is equivalent to five years' reduction in the average lifetime.

"There is a general impression that saloonkeepers do not live as long as persons in nonhazardous occupations," he continued, "but it is not generally known that most saloons which are connected with either the manufacture or sale of liquor have a high mortality. Among saloon proprietors, whether they attended the bar or not, there was an extra mortality of 70 per cent, and the cause of death indicated that a free use of alcoholic beverages had caused many of the deaths. In the 14 subdivisions of the trades connected with the manufacture or sale of alcohol, there was only one class which had a normal mortality and that was the distillery proprietors."

BERLIN OFFICIAL REPORT

SAYS THAT FRENCH ATTACK IN ARGONNE WAS REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSSES

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—Today's official communication asserts that French attack resumed in the forest of Argonne was repulsed, the allied forces losing heavily. The text of the statement reads:

In the district of Souain the French yesterday confined themselves to heavy artillery firing.

A renewed French attack on Roer and Courtilles did not make any progress. The attack broke down under the fire of our artillery, the enemy suffering heavy losses.

Yesterday three of the enemy's aviators dropped about ten bombs on a town situated outside the range of our operations, the town of Preburg (Gladon). No damage was done. The incident merely shows again that an enemy town not situated within the

range of operations has been attacked with bombs by the allies.

To the east of the Masurian lakes (East Prussia) only artillery encounters are taking place.

In northern Poland our columns advancing on the right bank of the Weichsel took Fromsmyz by storm. Six hundred prisoners and some machine guns were captured. The attack along the river Weichsel is being continued. In southern Poland the Russian attacks were repulsed.

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MAY WELCOME STORK

Mrs. Sayre Will Spend Holidays at White House—Santa Claus May Find President With Grandfather's Smile

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Is President Wilson to receive as a Christmas present membership in the International Order of Happy Grandfathers?

That is the question which is being asked since it became known yesterday that Mrs. Francis B. Sayre is coming from Williamstown, Mass., to the White House for Christmas and is expected to remain there for some time afterward.

The announcement was made casually in connection with the statement that the president has decided not to go away from Washington for the holidays, but to spend the day at home with his family.

That the Storks are expecting a visit from the stock has been an open secret since the reports that a precious old family cradle had been sent to them.

SCHOOL TEACHER

Wards Off Nervous Break Down

Abolition, Pa.—"I am a teacher in the public schools and I got into a very nervous run-down condition. I could not sleep and had no appetite. I was tired all the time. My sister asked me to try Vinol. I did so, and within a week my appetite improved and I could sleep all night and now I feel well and strong."—ROSA M. KELLEIG, Abolition, Pa.

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at Williamstown from relatives in the south, for it is generally conceded that the secretary to a college president does not require a cradle as part of his office equipment.

No definite information, however, has been forthcoming until yesterday the news of Mrs. Sayre's plans set the tongues wagging. And now everybody says that the president, with all his troubles and worries, is wearing a persistent expression of happiness which is to be interpreted only as grandfatherly anticipation.

HELP JERUSALEM PEOPLE

Turkey Has Signified Willingness That Expedition Ship Be Sent Through Mediterranean

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The Turkish government through Ambassador Morgenthau has signified to the state department its willingness that an expedition be sent to the relief of the people in Jerusalem. The expedition is being organized by Hebrew philanthropic societies in New York, which plan to send a ship through the Mediterranean to Palestine.

THREE MEN KILLED

Two Freight Trains in Collision at Danling Road, West of Wehnan, Ont.

WELLAND, Ont., Dec. 10.—Three railroad men were killed, three are missing and two were injured when two freight trains on the Wabash railroad collided head on at Danling road, 12 miles west of this place, today.

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TO AVOID EXTRA SESSION

Senate Democrats to Have Caucus—Steering Committee Confers on a Program

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Democrats of the senate will meet in caucus Saturday afternoon to frame a legislative program for this session of congress with a view to assuring completion of necessary legislation by March 4 in order to avert the necessity for an extra session to meet in the 54th congress. Decision to hold the caucus was reached at a conference of the democratic steering committee late today, attended by Senators Kern, O'Gorman, Hoke Smith, Thomas and Owen. The steering committee discussed yesterday the recommendation to the caucus. One recommendation will be that appropriation bills be given the right of way and rushed with all possible expedition. The government ship purchase bill, conservation measures and the Philippine bill will also be recommended. The immigration bill, although not mentioned in the president's recommendations, several senators said, would be passed within a few days in all probability. Some senators are understood to be pressing the party leaders to include in the legislative program various measures not generally contemplated, and these will be brought up in the caucus.

CAPITALIZATION CONTROL

This Among the Recommendations of the Interstate Commerce Commission's Report

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—In its annual report to congress yesterday the interstate commerce commission makes these principal recommendations: Laws to control railway capitalization; compulsory use of steel cars in passenger trains and prohibition of the use of wooden cars between or ahead of steel ones; definite penalties for violations of the hours of service act; laws to make explicit and certain the authority of the commission to examine all documents and records of railroads to fix definitely one period—preferably three years—in which legal actions may be started relating to transportation charges.

INQUIRY FROM WILSON

Colorado Governor Asked if Conditions Permit Removal of the Federal Troops

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President Wilson last night telegraphed to Gov. Ammons of Colorado asking whether it would be safe to withdraw the federal troops from the strike districts. If Gov. Ammons replies that the state is ready to assume control of the situation the president will withdraw the troops immediately.

The president acted following a conference with Senator Thomas of Colorado, and after a final word had been received from the United Mine Workers of America that the coal miners' strike had been called off.

Mr. Wilson is anxious to withdraw the troops, but wants formal assurance that the state will be able to control the situation. Sec. of War Garrison has completed preparations for withdrawing the troops as soon as word comes from the White House.

Senator Platteau of Colorado said last night that he understood Gov. Ammons desired to have the federal troops withdrawn gradually, rather than all at once, so that the effect on the miners might be observed. The president received a request several days ago from Gov. Ammons that the troops be withdrawn from some of the districts, but took no action on the request. He is believed to prefer that all of the troops be withdrawn at the same time.

HEARING RESUMED

DENVER, Col., Dec. 11.—It was expected that John Lawson, executive board member for Colorado of the United Mine Workers of America, would be called at today's session of the hearing of the federal commission on industrial relations. An incident of yesterday which was expected to figure in the proceedings was the visit of the anti-

today was the report of Commissioner Walsh for a copy of an enclosure noted in a letter from John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to President Welbourne of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. This letter was dated Aug. 1, 1914. It said:

Enclosed please find a letter just received from George S. Lawrence, first lieutenant, Troop B, Colorado National Guard. This letter is of such a character that I should be glad to have your advice as to what, if any, reply to make.

To this under date of Aug. 15, 1914, Mr. Welbourne's reply follows, in part: "I have been endeavoring to secure some information that would justify the charges made by Mr. Lawrence, but so far have been unsuccessful."

"I have seen Mr. Lawrence only once and that was on the occasion of his coming to my office to secure cash on his state warrant after the appropriation had been made by the extra session of the legislature. I had had a few moments' conversation with him at that time when I took occasion to congratulate him on the good work he had done and which I am mistaken he expressed satisfaction at the treatment received at the hands of our employees in the district where he was stationed."

"I would suggest that in your reply to his letter you advise him to call on me, giving him the assurance that I will make a thorough investigation of his complaint."

First Lieut. Gerry S. Lawrence of Troop B was in command of the 36 militiamen engaged in the battle of Ludlow, according to Adjutant General John Chase's testimony yesterday.

Mrs. J. Borden Harriman of New York was expected to resign her seat on the commission today upon her return from the southern coal fields. An incident of yesterday which was expected to figure in the proceedings was the visit of the anti-

CHANCELLOR O'CONNELL HONORED

Elevated to the Dignity of Monsignor by Pope Benedict XV

The Young Priest is Native of Lowell and Resident of Fay St.



Rev. James P. E. O'Connell

The Lowell friends of Rev. James P. E. O'Connell, chancellor of the archdiocese, will be pleased to hear of his elevation to the dignity of monsignor by His Holiness Pope Benedict XV. Rev. Mr. O'Connell is a native of Lowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew O'Connell of Fay street.

Monsignor O'Connell as a boy graduated from the Butler school in this city, then from the high school and later from Holy Angels college, Buffalo. He completed his studies at the American college at Rome and was ordained at the Sacred Heart church by Cardinal O'Connell, who was then bishop of Portland, Me. When Bishop O'Connell became archbishop of Boston he appointed his nephew, Rev. Mr. O'Connell, to be his private secretary.

In this position he showed great executive ability in attending to the enormous work of the diocese, and in harmonizing and promoting the interests of the church. His talent for administration soon brought him promotion to the office of chancellor of the diocese in which his work is praised by all with whom he comes in contact. Monsignor O'Connell, of course, is in constant communication with the cardinal and has the benefit of the advice and direction of His Holiness in all matters of importance.

The clergy of the diocese as well as the people of Lowell who have known

the young priest rejoice at his promotion.

Fr. Gorman Transferred
Rev. John H. Harrigan, pastor of St. Mary's church, Hanover, has been transferred by Cardinal O'Connell and made pastor of the new St. Ambrose parish recently set apart from St. Peter's parish in Dorchester. Fr. Harrigan's successor as pastor at Hanover will be Rev. Daniel S. Sheerin, senior curate at St. Mary's church, Hopkinton. To fill the vacancy caused by the advancement of Fr. Sheerin to the pastorate, Rev. Daniel P. Gorman, of St. John's church, Brookline, has been transferred to Hopkinton.

Rev. Fr. Gorman is a Lowell boy and is well known here. He is a brother of former Charity Commissioner James E. Gorman.

STEAMER ARRIVES
NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Arrived steamer from Glasgow.

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Ladies' Desk Chairs.....\$3 to \$6
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Sheet Waste Boxes in matting or solid oak.....\$2.50 to \$10
Cellarettes.....\$7.50 to \$20

Couch Covers.....\$1.95 to \$5
Rope Portieres.....\$2.75 to \$8
Linoleums, yard.....49c to \$1.50
China Vases.....\$2 to \$5
China Dinner Sets.....\$12 to \$50
Tea Sets.....\$5 to \$10
Cut Glass, Berry Dishes and Vases.....\$2 to \$7.50
Doll Carriages.....\$7.50 to \$25.00
Baby Carriages.....\$5.00 to \$10.00
Children's Crib Beds.....\$12 to \$25
Children's Crib Beds (Brass).....\$1.00 to \$7.50
Children's High Chairs.....\$2.95
Boys' Roll Top Desks.....\$14.00

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Baby Teetlers.....\$2.50
Baby High Chairs.....\$2.00 to \$7.50
Children's Chairs and Rockers.....\$1.00 to \$6.00
Children's Sleighs.....\$7.50 to \$10.00

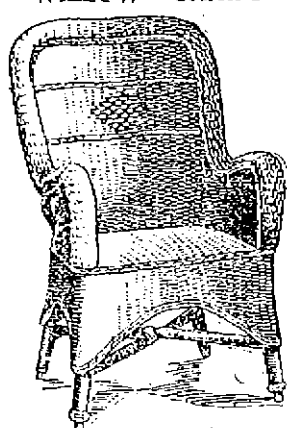
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A Full Size Oak
A Ladies' full sized Oak Desk.....\$4.50
Fumed Oak Desks.....\$10.00
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Imitation Mahogany Desks.....\$7.50 to \$10.00
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Library Tables in oak, mahogany, \$10 to \$50
Breakfast Tables, folding, each.....\$4.50

GLOBE WERNICKE BOOKCASES

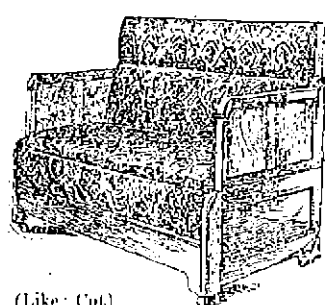
In fumed or golden oak finishes, one base, one top, one 81-2, one 10 1-4, one 12 1-4 sections, making a complete book case, for.....\$15.00

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Complete with cushions, seat and back.....\$14
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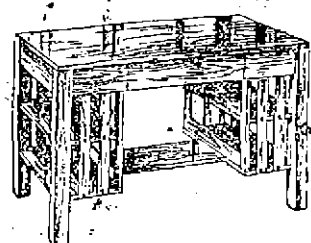
(Like Cut)
Covered in tapestry, leather or silk plush.....\$30 to \$45
This makes a complete bed when opened.

CHINA CLOSETS



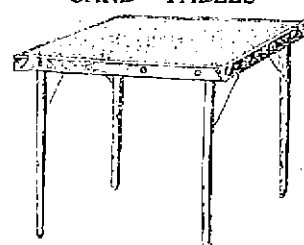
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Fully quartered, bent ends, swell front.....\$25
Others from \$15.00 to \$50.00

LIBRARY TABLES



42 in. Fumed Oak Tables, all quartered, oak, finished fumed or golden.....\$15

CARD TABLES



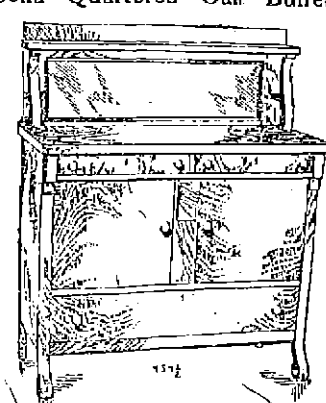
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24 in. square, felt top, brass corners, (folding).....\$1.95

GUERNSEY COOKING WARE



Casseroles.....50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25
Mixing Bowls.....75c to \$1.50
Bakers.....50c to \$1.00
Casseroles (like cut).....\$1.98

Solid Quartered Oak Buffets



Lined section drawer, large lined drawer, double cupboard.....\$22.50
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ULTIMATUM TO MEXICO

United States Demands That Border Firing Cease—Notes to Carranza and Gutierrez

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The United States has served formal notice today to Gen. Carranza at Vera Cruz and Gen. Gutierrez at Mexico City, both of whom are urged to prevent their troops from firing across the American boundary. Such force will be employed by the government as may be necessary to protect American territory.

In the most emphatic and threatening expression from the Washington government since the diplomatic correspondence with Gen. Huerta which preceded the occupation of Vera Cruz, the United States has demanded that the two chief leaders of the different factions at Naco, Sonora, from the Arizona town of the same name, that firing across the international line must cease.

Although the messages which were to be conveyed by American Consul Carter to Gen. Carranza at Vera Cruz and by American Consul Sullivan to Gen. Gutierrez at Mexico City, both Wednesday night, they did not reach their destination until yesterday and answers will be expected today.

The preliminary tone of the communication did not become generally known until last night, although the sending of three batteries of field artillery to Naco explained previously by high officials as meaning that the Mexican forces would be shelled out of their positions and driven several miles from the line if the firing into the United States continued.

lives through the employment of force. The American government made it clear incidentally that it intended to use force, not for aggression, but only for defence, and had no idea of invading Mexican territory or interfering with the right of the Mexican people to settle their own disputes, or violating Mexican sovereignty in any way.

No time limit was set within which the Mexican factions must comply with the demands, but a sufficient time will be allowed for both Carranza and the Gutierrez to communicate fully to Gen. Huerta and Gen. Maytorena, respectively, the seriousness of the situation.

In the meantime, Brig.-Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, lately named assistant chief of staff of the United States army, is in personal charge of the situation at Naco, with three batteries of field artillery, having a range of five or six miles and 11 troops of cavalry.

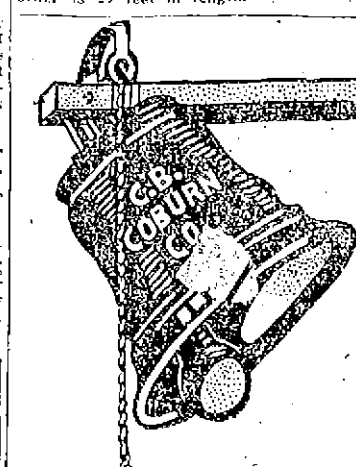
WILL SLAUGHTER CATTLE

A herd of cattle, 37 in all, the property of George F. Ireland of Dracut, will be slaughtered because of the foot and mouth disease. The work of dipping two trenches for the burial of the cattle was completed yesterday afternoon.

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ternoon. In addition to the cattle, 200 hens, 25 pigs, several calves and a number of household pets will also be killed. The date for the slaughter has not yet been set by the bureau of animal industry. Mr. Ireland is now awaiting a visit from the state appraisers, who are reported to be working in the western part of the state. Following an appraisal, the animals will be killed. One of the trenches dug yesterday is 65 feet in length and the other is 29 feet in length.



UNITED WORKMEN

A whist party was held by the Ancient Order of United Workmen last evening in the Old Fellows' building preceded by a business meeting at which the following officers were elected: Master, William Owen Muldoon; foreman, J. H. D. Toy; overseer, John Harriman; recorder, Hugh McQuade; treasurer, A. W. David; receiver, Isaac Tinker; guide, William Tyrrell; inside watchman, Fred Humphries; outside watchman, Timothy Buckley; delegates to the grand lodge, James S. Bulliver; F. G. Humphries and William Tyrrell; alternates, Alfred Watson, William Bradley and William Gilge.

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GIVE AN OIL COLOR OUTFIT

A neat wooden box containing 12 tubes of color, two brushes, one bottle of turpentine and one bottle of palette knife. This is a good outfit for the beginner.....1.00

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Stove Shovels.....10c and 15c
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BOBBIE!
NOW YOU STAY
IN THE HOUSE AND
MIND THE BABY
WHILE I'M GONE.

AW RATS!

PEACH OF A
DAY, TOO!

YEP, THERE'S WHERE
THE LITTLE SHRIMP LIVES.
AS SOON AS I KETCH HIM
OUTSIDE OF HIS YARD I'M
GOIN' TO TRIM HIM.

I FEEL
SORRY
FOR BOB!

NOW BABY, YOU
KNOCK EM OVER
AS I PILE EM
UP!

DOOGLE UMD.

ABDUCTION CASE RECORD CROP

Young Men Who Carried Girl Away in Auto Fined \$50 Each

Yesterday's session of Police court saw the conclusion of the much mooted abduction case. Both when Vasillo Potopoulis and Christos Potopoulis appeared before Judge Felt. Both charged with assault and battery on a Valtia Matron.

Lawyer Hanel appeared for the prosecution and John J. Harvey represented the two defendants. The case was started with Mr. Hanel outlining the abduction of the Matron girl.

The complaint was going home from work on the night of Nov. 10 when she was seized by the two defendants while passing through the street and hustled into an auto, screaming and trying to break away from the two men.

At the time when this happened Potopoulis had already been granted a license certificate at city hall with the Matron girl's name enrolled upon it as the prospective bride. Mr. Hanel stated that the consent of the girl's mother had been gained by the young man although the girl had not consented so far as he knew.

The girl was then taken captive to a house where it seems Potopoulis expected that the marriage ceremony would be performed. But it wasn't for the girl wouldn't have him. Later he returned to her home and subsequently swore out a warrant against her father as well as his friend.

In conclusion the attorney for the prosecution stated that his client did not want the defendants to go to jail but was satisfied to have a fine imposed. Judge Wright made several remarks on the case relative to its serious nature and said that the next defendant brought in on a similar complaint would receive a jail sentence. Both defendants were fined \$50 and appealed.

Of Cotton Produced by United States This Year

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The United States this year has produced the greatest crop of cotton in its history. More than 10,000,000 bales—15,000,000 of lint cotton and lint cotton uncleanly estimated from 600,000 to 650,000 bales—mark this year's record.

STOCK MARKET

BOSTON MARKET

RAILROADS	High	Low	Close	July 30
Boston & Albany	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & Maine	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & New England	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & Northern	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & Southern	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & Western	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & York	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & Zulu	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & Zulu	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Boston & Zulu	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2

MIXING

High	Low	Close	July 30	
Am. Gold	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Silver	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Zinc	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Lead	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Copper	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Iron	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Steel	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Coal	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Oil	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Gas	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Electric	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Telephone	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Paper	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Textile	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Lumber	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Brick	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Cement	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Glass	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Rubber	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Leather	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Hosiery	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Clothing	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Food	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Medicine	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Perfumery	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Cosmetics	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Toys	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Games	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Books	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Magazines	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Newspapers	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Printing	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Stationery	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Office Supplies	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Miscellaneous	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2

TELEPHONE

High	Low	Close	July 30	
Am. Tel. & T. Co.	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Tel. & T. Co.	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
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Am. Tel. & T. Co.	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2

MISCELLANEOUS

High	Low	Close	July 30	
Am. Sugar	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Flour	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Rice	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Beans	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Corn	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Wheat	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Oats	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Barley	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Potatoes	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Apples	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Oranges	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Lemons	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Limes	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Peaches	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
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Am. Passion Fruit	24 1/2	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
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DARING ATTEMPT TO RAID DOVER HARBOR

British Batteries Pour Heavy Fire on Six German Submarines Off Naval Base

LONDON, Dec. 11. (12.52 p.m.)—Half a dozen German submarines made an attempt at 6.30 o'clock Thursday morning to enter the admiralty harbor, according to a dispatch received from the Exchange Telegraph company, and for half an hour the batteries kept up a furious fusillade, firing at least 200 shots.

It is reported that two or three of the submarines were sunk, but no confirmation of this can be obtained.

The attempt was made under cover of early morning darkness and during a heavy rainstorm. The first alarm, says the dispatch, was given by the firing of a naval gun, and soon all the batteries were in action.

The admiralty, to whom this dispatch was submitted, said that it had not received confirmation of the reported attack.

There is opposite the French town of Calais and is one of the chief ports of communication between England and the continent. The admiralty harbor, comprising an area of 619 acres, is the finest harbor of refuge in the channel. Its construction was begun in 1895 and completed in 1909 at a cost of \$17,500,000.

The western bulk of the older commercial harbor and the admiralty harbor is the admiralty pier. The commercial harbor is bounded on the east by the Prince of Wales pier, while the east arm of the admiralty harbor is built from the shore to the east of Dover Castle. There are numerous forts guarding the entrance.

TRUCK BURNED

Big Laundry Truck Was Badly Damaged by Fire—Other Fires

The laundry truck owned by George Russell caught fire in some manner late yesterday afternoon and an alarm was rung in from box 28. The top of the truck was burned completely before the firemen arrived. The fire occurred on Broadway.

A dangerous rubbish fire broke out just before eight o'clock last night in the basement of the garage on Church street. The fire department was telephoned for and extinguished the blaze before any serious damage had been done to the premises.

A fire also broke out in an unoccupied tenement at 72 Summer street.

MOTHER PAYS THE FINE

HOWARD MCGREGGOR OF WATERBURY ACCUSED OF HAVING BEYOND-LARNEY CASE FILED

GREENFIELD, Dec. 11.—In district court yesterday morning Howard McGreggor, aged 17, of Waterbury, Conn., was convicted of having a revolver on his person. His mother paid a fine of \$50 which was imposed.

McGreggor and J. J. Murphy, aged 18, also of Waterbury, were charged with the larceny of \$7 from Frederick Spencer of Shelburne Falls. They pleaded not guilty and the case was held.

Handkerchiefs and aprons for Xmas. Vera Prentiss, 105 Bridge street.

FIGHT TO BRING HARRY K. THAW TO NEW YORK

Extradition of the Man Who Escaped From Matteawan up for Consideration Today by the Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The extradition of Harry Thaw from New Hampshire to New York was up for consideration today by the supreme court.

The argument of counsel for Thaw and for the state of New York today marks the final steps in the legal fight which has waged over Thaw ever since he walked out of the gates of Matteawan in August, 1913, escaped to Canada and finally came into the custody of an official in New Hampshire for extradition to New York to answer to an indictment for conspiracy to escape from the Matteawan asylum.

The court was reviewing the action of Judge Aldrich that Thaw could not be extradited.

The murder of Stanford White by Thaw as a result of which the latter was sent to Matteawan was mentioned only incidentally in the case.

AT FIRST UNIVERSALIST

Rev. Caleb E. Fisher, D. D., began his 20th year as pastor of the First Universalist church last evening, when the annual supper and entertainment was held in the church vestry. The fact that this annual event is always a great success and also the news that Rev. Mr. Fisher was beginning his 20th year as head of the church attracted a large number of the congregation.

Early in the evening a banquet was served with music furnished by Doris' orchestra. This was followed by songs by Harry Needham, after which Dr. William M. Jones, president of the Men's club, addressed as toastmaster.

The first speaker was Dr. A. S. Macleod of the Sunday school. He stated that 87 years ago 20 men met and formed the First Universalist church, and referred to its good standing, in every respect, and to the men of exceptional ability who had been enrolled among its pastors. He paid a tribute to the excellent work of the United Workers of the church; of the Men's club, and the Sunday school, recognizing also the fine work of the choir and the organist.

Dr. Charles Conklin of Brookline came next. His remarks were made in his characteristically witty and pleasing vein, but yet were punctuated with good, sound sense. He pleaded for increased earnestness and zeal in our appreciation of the duty of public work.

COOPER AT WORK IN YARD

Man Who Escaped Electric Chair Says He is Satisfied With His Position in State Prison

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Daniel J. Cooper, who escaped the electric chair by a commutation of his sentence of imprisonment for life in state prison, was put to work yesterday in the prison yard. In a talk he had with the warden he expressed himself as satisfied with work in the yard and said that he would faithfully live up to the rules of the prison.

THE REAL ESTATE PAGE

The Sun's Real Estate Page Will Be Printed Tomorrow With News of Interest—Spellbinder Discusses Politics

Tomorrow's principal feature of The Sun will be the Real Estate and Builders' Page, a regular Saturday special. This will, as usual, be devoted exclusively to those interested in the real estate market and building, and to the dealers and contractors. To those contemplating changes in their property, this page will be of value for it places the public in close touch with the men in the contracting and furnishing business.

A discussion of the political situation by the Spellbinder will also be of interest to the readers of The Sun tomorrow. This writer talks over the situation in a fair and pleasing manner and his articles have gained favor with the people.

Columns of "They do Say's" will appear in tomorrow's Sun, brief and pointed little paragraphs that are highly entertaining.

For the housewife Mrs. Ray's menus will have a particular interest for they help in providing a pleasing variety of good things for the meals throughout the week.

Every woman likes to be complimented on the fact that she wears a very smart size shoe. The effect may be produced even by those who have not noticeably small feet by careful buying of shoes. How this is accomplished is explained in "What the French Mail Said," which will appear in The Sun tomorrow.

If one will follow the directions given by the writer of "The Rabbits' Foot" tomorrow and be careful to protect the throat in this raw weather, they will avoid in great measure, the danger of illness.

Tell the children little stories of the proper kind and you will instruct as well as please them. The "Sleeping Beauty" in The Sun are written especially for the little ones. Read "Grandpa's Lesson" to them tomorrow.

GUN BATTLE IN THE STREETS OF WORCESTER

Joseph English Escapes in Duel With Police—Flees From House Amid Shower of Bullets

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—When inspectors Burke and Casey called at 46 Assonet street last night to serve requisition papers on Joseph English, alias John Williams, aged 45, they narrowly escaped serious injury, when English, a South Carolina negro, turned upon them with a repeating rifle and fired at them.

English, or Williams, as he is known in Worcester, is wanted, according to Capt. Patrick O'Day, in Camden, S. C., for selling leased property. The police say he is wanted for numerous offenses.

Casey and Burke called at his home shortly before 8 o'clock and explained their errand. English, admitting a running guilt, requested time to change his clothing, as he had just returned from work. The officers agreed and were waiting for him, watching him as he dressed. After changing his clothes English, who is 6 feet 1 inch tall, stepped behind a door and reappeared with a repeating rifle.

"Stand aside, I'm going out," he exclaimed, leveling the weapon at the officers' heads. The inspectors made an attempt to grasp the rifle from his hands, but he was too quick for them, felling Casey with a blow.

The inspectors, reinforced by a dozen officers, opened fire on him and, when within five feet of English, Burke demanded that he throw up his hands. English opened fire instead. The duel between the police and English continued down the rear stairways and into the street where after a running battle English made his escape.

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Choice Sirloin Steak, per lb.	25c
Fancy Fresh-killed Western Fowl, per lb.	18c
Fancy Fresh-killed Native Fowl, per lb.	20c and 23c
Choice Rib Roast Beef, per lb.	14c, 16c, 18c
Lamb for Stew, per lb.	8c, 10c, 12c
Fancy Leg and Loin, Spring-Lamb, per lb.	18c
Fancy Leg and Loin Fatted Veal, per lb.	18c
Leg and Loin Yearling, per lb.	12½c and 14c
Corned Beef, from.	8c up
Smoked Shoulders, per lb.	12½c and 14c

Everything guaranteed fresh, clean and wholesome, out of Glass-covered Sanitary Cases. Free and Prompt Deliveries.

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CHRISTMAS SALE

The Christmas sale of the Women's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. closed last evening under the most auspicious conditions. The attendance was large and the sales made at the various tables were many.

During the evening a playlet entitled "Mrs. Oakley's Telephone" was given, with the following taking part: "Mrs. Oakley," Juliette McCoy Smith; "Constance," Florence Grant; "Mary," the cook, Edith L. Fletcher; "Emma," the maid, Florence A. Chamberlain; "Irish Songs," Bernice Staples.

The sales tables were headed by the following women:

Children's table: Mrs. A. P. French and Mrs. W. E. Hatch, chairman.

Apron table: Mrs. L. A. Ayer and Mrs. J. E. Graham, chairman.

Food table: Mrs. J. A. Black and Miss Maude E. Black, chairman.

Fancy table: Mrs. G. W. Stewart, chairman.

Best printing: Tobin's, Asso. bldg.

AMERICA'S GREATEST DRUG STORES

SENSIBLE GIFTS

One receives so many gifts of a trashy nature that an article of real use seems of double value.

Every person appreciates a useful gift and your good sense is shown in the selection of an article of that nature.

PERFUMES

Roger & Gallet	25c to \$5.00
Hurmat	50c to \$5.00
Harmony	25c to \$2.50
Piver's	90c to \$3.80
Coty's	\$1.15 to \$10.00
Godet's French	68c to \$25.00
Violet Duice	25c to \$1.50
Hanson & Jenks	25c to \$5.00

SAFETY RAZORS

Gillette	\$5.00 to \$25.00
Ever Ready	\$1.00 to \$3.50
Gem Junior	\$1.00
Auto Strop	\$5.00
Durham Domino	\$1.00
Grosclot	\$1.50 to \$5.00
Durham Derby	\$2.50
Star Safety	\$1.00 to \$2.50

KODAKS

Brownies	\$1.00 to \$12.00
Vest Pocket Kodaks	\$6.00 to \$22.50
Prontos	\$4.50 to \$25.00
Brownie Enlarging	\$1.75 to \$4.00
Graflex Cameras	\$40.00 to \$150.00
Albums	10c to \$5.00
Metat Tripods	\$1.25 to \$5.00

MIRRORS

Shaving Mirrors	49c to \$1.98
Hand Mirrors	49c to \$2.98
Tripartite Mirrors	\$2.49 to \$6.49
Travelling Mirrors	69c to \$1.29
Bathroom Mirrors	\$2.98 to \$6.29
Pocket Mirrors	10c to 25c
"Vaco" Mirrors	\$3.00
Standing Mirrors	\$1.98

MANICURE GOODS

Buffers	39c to \$1.50
Cuticle Cutters	75c to \$3.50
Manicure Scissors	39c to \$1.98
Nail Files	10c to 75c
Manicure Sets	49c to \$25.00
Nail Clips	25c to 50c
Nail Polish	9c to 75c
Emery Boards	5c to 25c

RUBBER GOODS

Monogram Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt., white	89c
Moneyback Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt., chocolate	\$1.25
American Beauty Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt.	\$1.40
American Beauty Hot Water Bottle, 3-Qt.	\$1.69

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Two or three times this price will not buy you better Coats, Suits or Dresses anywhere else in town.

Coats - \$9.50

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Every wanted material—Hindo Lynx, Pomorie, Broadtail, Salts Plushes, Silky Zibelines, Arabian Lamb, Persianinas, Caracul, Astrachan, Chinchilla, Imported Tweeds, Diagonal Weaves, Broadcloths, Novelty Boucles, Fancy Mixtures and Tartan Plaids.

Dresses \$9.50

\$12.00 to \$20.00 Values

Street dresses, afternoon dresses, dancing frocks. This wonderful lot of dresses embraces a very general variety of charming new models, fashioned in such modish materials as dainty chiffons, satins, crepe de chimes and splendid serges.

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Materials include broadcloths, French and men's wear serges, Gabardines, Diagonal Cheviots, stylish Crepe novelties, etc., all shades and sizes.

CHILDREN'S \$2.50 RAINCAPES

They come in navy and red—guaranteed waterproof. Marked **\$1.49**

Make a fine Xmas gift.

Germans Sweeping Across Poland Now 15 Miles From Warsaw

SEN. WEEKS PRAISES UNITED STATES NAVY

Opposes Agitation for Investigation of Military Preparedness—
Too Much Publicity, He Says

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Declaring that there has been too much publicity of military affairs of the nation, Senator Weeks of Massachusetts in a speech in the senate today opposed agitation for special investigation of military preparedness, praised the strength and personnel of the navy and urged the organization of an army reserve.

"Anyone may learn about our military or naval establishment by reading the reports of the secretaries of the departments and the reports of these who are conducting the different bureaus and branches of the service," exclaimed the senator. "It is an open book to all our citizens and there need be no doubt about our relative position or our capabilities if one is disposed to study reports instead of seeking notoriety in the press."

Too Much Publicity

"In fact there is and has been altogether too much publicity in such matters in my judgment. We have had a demonstration during the present European war of the value of secrecy in conducting military operations and there is no reason why we should spread broadcast what we are doing or what preparations we have made. I have in doubt every European country is informed in the most minute detail of our condition both on land and sea and if any change in our methods is to be made, it should not be made in the direction of greater publicity, but should be to protect our operations even in time of peace from scrutiny both at home and abroad."

While expressing the hope that the European war would be the last great war and that nations would see the folly of maintaining such great military establishments as great European countries have done and that a general agreement may be made which will provide for at least a partial disarmament, Senator Weeks maintained it was the part of wisdom to consider what course to follow in case such a result should not come.

Not Wise to Change Policy

"At this time," he continued, "it does not seem to me that it is wise or prudent to take any action which will change our policy or add to our naval equipment except by an annual appropriation which can be expended under the direction of the general board of the navy with the approval of the secretary of the navy and the president. Based on the experience of the past our naval establishment is in a class with that of Germany and France and probably

second only to that of Great Britain." Senator Weeks maintained that the navy was insufficient and proposed its reorganization not for the purpose of increasing the permanent active army but for the organization of a reserve corps which would make available large forces of trained soldiers at all times.

"If the military experts are right," he declared, "that the country needs a force of 500,000 trained men supplemented by from 100,000 to 200,000 volunteers to give it a reasonable chance of protection against a probable foe and that the 200,000 men will be needed at once on the outbreak of war—organized as fighting machine it would appear that the defense provided at present by conscripts is inadequate and practically worthless and that the money spent on this defense are largely wasted."

Favors Reserve System

Through a reserve system, Senator Weeks maintained that a much larger trained army could be maintained at less expense than a permanent standing army now.

"I believe," said the senator, "that laws should be passed at once which will reorganize the regular army. This reorganization should give to the mobile army the proper proportion of infantry, field artillery, cavalry engineers, signal, sanitary troops, the needed communication and supply trains and provide for properly equipped depots. The law must provide that the men serve the shortest time with the colors necessary to train them as soldiers and then pass them as soon as trained to a reserve and that while serving in this reserve the men must be paid. Make the enlistment age 18 to 21, with consent of parents and 25 as the limit for first enlistment."

In addition to the national reserve force, Senator Weeks would have a similar reserve organized under the state militia and urged laws to provide skilled military trainers for volunteers.

ROAD RULE FOR PHILIPPINES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—When the senate Philippine committee today announced hearings next Monday on the administration bill to grant a larger measure of self-government to the people of the islands, Chairman Hitchcock declared it was the purpose to rush the bill to final passage at this session of congress. Secretary Garrison, former President Taft, Dean C. Worcester and former Governor General Cameron Forbes are to be asked to testify.

CLOTHING FOR BELGIANS

Four large boxes are being filled with clothing and other articles by the Middlesex Women's Club and in the near future will be shipped to Belgium for the relief of the sufferers all kinds which have been solicited or turned over to the club to aid the Belgians.

CAPT. JEVES OPERATED ON
Capt. Walter B. Jevess, of Company G, Sixth regiment, who underwent an operation at the Lowell General Hospital, is expected that Dr. T. Timony, Greek consul-general in Boston, will preside over the dedication exercises. A number of prominent out-of-town speakers will also be present and the ceremony will be celebrated and in the afternoon a mass meeting will take place in the new school building in Worthen street.

The building will contain four rooms and will accommodate about 200 children. Four female teachers, two Greek and two American, is reported as having while the services of a principal from Athens have been retained.

PRESIDENT PLAYS GOLF
Went to Virginia Links During First Snow Storm of Season and Played the Entire Course

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President Wilson played golf today in a heavy snow flurry. He went out to Virginia Links during the first snow of the season and played the entire course.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

ALLIES CHECKED IN BELGIUM, SAYS BERLIN

Czar Again at Front—Turks Repulse Russians Near Batum—Berlin Admits British Naval Victory—Austrians Retreat—Three German Attacks Repulsed by French

Both the French and German official statements of today indicate that the new attempt of the allies to throw back the Germans in Belgium has been checked and that in the region of Ypres the Germans have not only hurled back the attacking forces but in turn have made an advance. The Paris announcement states that several German attacks were made and that three of them were completely repulsed. It is admitted, however, that at one point the Germans succeeded in reaching one of the first line trenches of the allies. Elsewhere in Flanders continued progress is reported. The German statement merely says that gains have been made in Flanders.

The fighting in the Argonne region continues to be the subject of conflicting claims. The French war office asserts that two German attacks there were repulsed and that the allies have pushed forward several trenches. Berlin reports progress east and west of the Argonne forest. Each official statement, moreover, tells of advantages won in the artillery encounter, which apparently is proceeding with undiminished intensity.

The Berlin war office states, as Petrograd virtually concedes, that the German advance in Poland is continuing steadily.

The situation in East Prussia where the Russians have invaded German territory remains unchanged and there is no further news from the battle for the possession of Graudenz.

It is admitted unofficially in Petrograd today that German troops are sweeping across Russian Poland and are now about 15 miles from Warsaw.

The army of General Mackensen, apparently is striking forward rapidly, although it is said that the other invading armies to the north and south are making little, if any, progress.

The possibility of German occupation of Warsaw is seen in Petrograd, where it is said that if the Russians should withdraw from this city for strategic reasons its capture by the Germans should not be considered as important.

Emperor Nicholas is again at the front, having gone on this occasion to Trans-Caucasia, where his troops are seeking to thrust back the Turks and accomplish Russia's historic aim of planting her flag on the Bosphorus.

A Turkish report states that an attempt of Russians to land troops on the shore of the Black sea near Batum was repulsed with heavy loss to the invaders.

Germany is proud of her adventurous men of war in the hour of their destruction. The admiralty at Berlin points out that the warships defeated by the British in the South Atlantic had been for four months on the high seas deprived of the use of ports for obtaining supplies or repairs.

notwithstanding which they were always able to obtain coal. The cruiser Dresden, last survivor of the five warships which composed the squadron, is reported to have been bottled up in the straits of Magellan and her fate is still in doubt.

Emperor William, announcement of whose illness has been followed by various unauthenticated reports that his condition was serious, is said to have improved greatly.

The reported turn in the fortunes of war in Serbia, where only recently the Austrians were described as pushing the defending army to such lengths as to threaten its destruction is said in Nish to be decisive.

The claim is made that the Austrians are retreating in disorder all along the line and that more than 22,000 prisoners have been taken.

DISAPPEARANCE OF TRUST FUNDS IS EXPLAINED

Jonathan Tyler and Thomas Nesmith Funds Were Used to Meet Bank Notes in Early 70's

Trust funds? In the words of the immortal farmer who, gazing at the yak in the circus, said: "There ain't no such animal." City Treasurer Stiles admits there was a time when the much mooted trust funds existed, but their existence was a short, if not a merry, one.

Acting Mayor Carmichael discussed trust funds with the city hall reporter for The Sun today, and stated, without hitch or crack, that he would not, as a member of the municipal council, vote to accept a fund such as the Thomas Nesmith or Jonathan Tyler funds. "The city," said Mr. Carmichael, "ought not to have anything to do with funds except the city is going to benefit directly from such funds. The city ought not to be the trustee for funds on which it pays six per cent, unless the interest money, according to the actual benefit of the city, if a fund is to be left in trust and the interest is to go to a church, charitable institution, or something of that kind, it should be handled by some trustee appointed by the court, or some corporation. It might, perhaps be handled by the sinking fund commission and in that event, of course, the commission would be held entirely responsible. I do not believe in the city taking the responsibility of trust funds and agreeing to pay six per cent. It isn't good business."

Commissioner Carmichael agrees with the Sun in what it has said to say, editorially, about the trust funds. The Sun asked the following pertinent questions: Who authorized the spending of the trust funds amounting to about \$32,000? Why were they spent? These questions, and a few more, were pitched to the city treasurer's door this forenoon and as the farmer said of the yak, so sayeth the treasurer relative to the trust fund: "There ain't no such animal."

The city treasurer insists that the matter was gone over at the Barre Stiles hearing in 1912 and there was

nothing, he said, he would add to it. "The trust funds referred to," said the treasurer, "do not exist. They have never been in existence in my time. They had disappeared long years before I took office here. The funds, as a matter of fact, never existed. The money, almost as soon as it was received was turned into the city treasury and taken right out again. Here are the books. They speak for themselves."

The books were passed over to The Sun and there is no gaining the fact that the books uphold the statement of the treasurer. They show that in March, 1871, the city of Lowell received from Nathan Crosby, B. F. Sherman and William H. Anderson, executors of the will of Thomas Nesmith, the sum of \$28,000 and \$1000. The acceptance was by a resolution of the city council and the very next year, in the early part of the next year, the \$28,000 was used to meet a note owed the Salem Savings bank. Now, then, \$28,000 is accounted for.

We next arrive at the Jonathan Tyler fund, and in this case we find that in May, 1875, the city of Lowell received from Jonathan Tyler, executor of the will of Jonathan Tyler, the sum of \$10,000. In September of the same year the sum of \$7500 was transferred from the abatement of taxes account, by resolution, and that amount, together with the Jonathan Tyler fund of \$10,000, was used to pay a note of \$17,500 due the Mechanics Savings bank.

There wasn't any law in the older days requiring that trust funds should be kept intact and Commissioner Carmichael remarked that if the law passed last year requiring that trust funds be kept intact, and that the city's chances are the funds would not have been accepted. The commissioner says there is nothing for the municipal council to do under the present circumstances but to borrow the money and restore the trust funds, "we will have to borrow the money," said the commissioner, "because the law says the funds must be restored."

ACTING MAYOR IS BUSY

Trial Board Appointed by Com. Carmichael to Investigate the Charges Against Police Officer

Once upon a time when Col. James H. Carmichael, commissioner of water works and fire protection, was out of the city a two alarm fire occurred in Lowell and Mayor Dennis J. Murphy took charge of affairs in the absence of the commissioner and made himself more or less conspicuous at the fire.

That, of course, was as it should be and the commissioner admitted that it was all right and there always seemed a lurking disposition on the part of the commissioner to return the compliment. Yesterday was his day of opportunity. Mayor Murphy is not at home. He is in Washington in the interest of the proposition to improve and develop the Merrimack river from Lowell to the sea.

Commissioner Carmichael, by virtue of his office as president of the municipal council, is acting mayor and a report came to him yesterday that an officer had broken a chunk of rule 19, the blanket rule that covers all the misdemeanors of which a police officer is capable—and that's about some. The complaint was against Patrolman Gille and Commissioner Carmichael, as acting mayor, lost no time in appointing a trial board to hear the evidence in the patrolman's case. The charge is that of drunkenness. The officers appointed to the trial board are Lieut. Downey, Sergt. Giroux and Sergt. McLaughlin. The board will hear the evidence, make its findings and report to the mayor.

The appointing of the trial board to hear the evidence in the Gille case is not the only way in which Commissioner Carmichael has exercised the mayor's prerogative. The day before yesterday a reserve officer was charged with a slight infraction of the law, which would probably mean that he would be sent to the house of correction under rule 19, but didn't subject it to any very severe abuse, and Commissioner Carmichael laid him off for a week. The commissioner said he did not care to give the name of the officer as the offense with which he was charged was not a very serious one.

In view of what has transpired, however, it behooves police officers to pursue the straight and narrow path while Col. James H. Carmichael is in the mayor's chair.

AUTO OVER RIVER BANK WATER SUPPLY

LAWRENCE YOUNG MAN HAD NARROW ESCAPE WHEN AUTO LEFT HIGHWAY

A young man whose name could not be learned, narrowly escaped death last evening when the automobile in which he was riding, skidded on the state highway between Lowell and Lawrence, and went over the embankment of the Merrimack river. How the young man managed to escape injury is not known, for he refused to talk about the accident.

The young man resides in Lawrence, and as far as could be learned he was on his way to Lowell in a large touring automobile. When the car struck a curve about a half mile beyond Belle Grove, it skidded and rolled over the embankment of the river, but fortunately did not reach the water. The distance from the road to the water at that point is about 25 feet and the machine remained suspended about half way down the incline.

The chauffeur managed to get out of his car unharmed and he hurried to the home of H. A. Planders at Belle Grove, whence he telephoned to a Lawrence garage. A few hours later the automobile was removed from its dangerous position and towed into Lawrence.

Massachusetts Authorities Take Precaution Against Waste

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—The water supply situation in Massachusetts, while not critical is nevertheless regarded by the state authorities as serious, especially in the Berkshire hills, the Merrimack valley, and Bristol county. In many places the emergency supplies of water are being utilized and in all cities and towns the water officials have taken precautions against waste. Many of the 40,000 private wells in the state have been dry since early summer and farmers are driving their cattle to nearby rivers and are hauling water for domestic needs.

Official figures show that the rainfall during the past 11 months in various parts of the state is from two to 12 inches below the normal. It is admitted, however, that the water famine is not as severe as that of four years ago.

Lowell's water supply is all right at the present time. The daily consumption is about 5,000,000 gallons. This amount is being taken from the boulevard wells and it was stated today that these wells are capable of at least 5,000,000 gallons a day, the new wells added this summer having increased the supply very materially. The Cook wells are not being used at the present time and these wells have a capacity of about 4,000,000 gallons a day. The farmers here, however, are suffering and they expect that the suffering will be over. They hoped against hope that the wells and swamps would fill with rain before the frost came, but that was one of the things that didn't happen. Now the frost is in the ground and the rain wouldn't do any good. In a great many instances it will be a case of carry and haul water all winter and for some of the farmers it will be a long haul.

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Bonnets, in all materials and colors in angora, silk knit, corduroy, chambray, velvets and cashmere. Bath Robes, in heavy materials and pretty colors. Priced.....97c, \$1.49 and \$1.97
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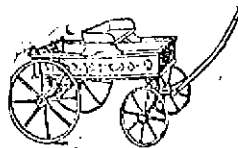
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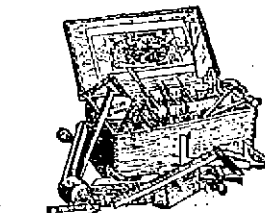
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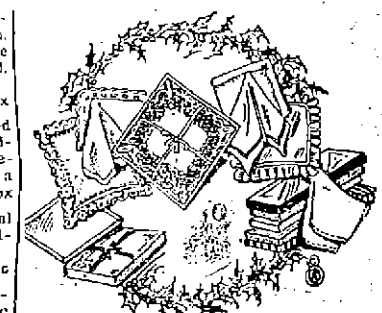


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1. ENGLISH ARTILLERY FIRING IN FLANDERS. 2. BELGIAN OUTPOST IN ACTION.

English artillery is shown firing at the front in Flanders in the upper picture. Notice the horses frightened by the noise. The gun is firing from an open space in the woods and the shells take effect four miles away. The Flanders battle is at present mostly an artillery duel on a big scale. The lower picture shows Belgian soldiers at an outpost firing at the German positions. One of the Belgians has been killed.

ON SPECIAL ELECTION 2 BROTHERS SENTENCED BODY FOUND IN POND

PITTSFIELD CITY SOLICITOR SAYS
IT CANNOT BE HELD UNTIL THIS
COUNCIL DECLARES VACANCY

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 11.—City Solicitor Fallon has given an opinion as to whether this year's aldermen may legally order a special election to fill a vacancy in the 1915 common council caused by a tie in ward 7 at the election.

The opinion is that such action cannot be taken because of the peculiar wording of section 5 of the city charter, and that the election must be deferred until the council declares a vacancy in its membership. The city solicitor could not find record of a similar case in this state.

The city solicitor's opinion would indicate that the democrats will control the election of the president and the clerk of the council next year.

FRANCISCO MUZZA GETS 10 TO 15
YEARS FOR KILLING PETER
TITONE

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Francisco P. Muzza of Framingham was sentenced to serve from 10 to 15 years in state prison after pleading guilty to the killing of Peter Titone in Framingham July 22.

His brother, Giuseppe, who was also charged with the killing, received a sentence of six months, and the case against a third brother, Baldassarri, was not pressed by Assistant District Attorney O'Donnell.

The prosecution alleged that the three brothers killed Titone in a quarrel over cards and allege that Francesco did the actual shooting. Following the shooting, Francesco slipped away and was not located until late in the fall when he was captured in Brooklyn, N. Y. His brothers were arrested following the shooting affray.

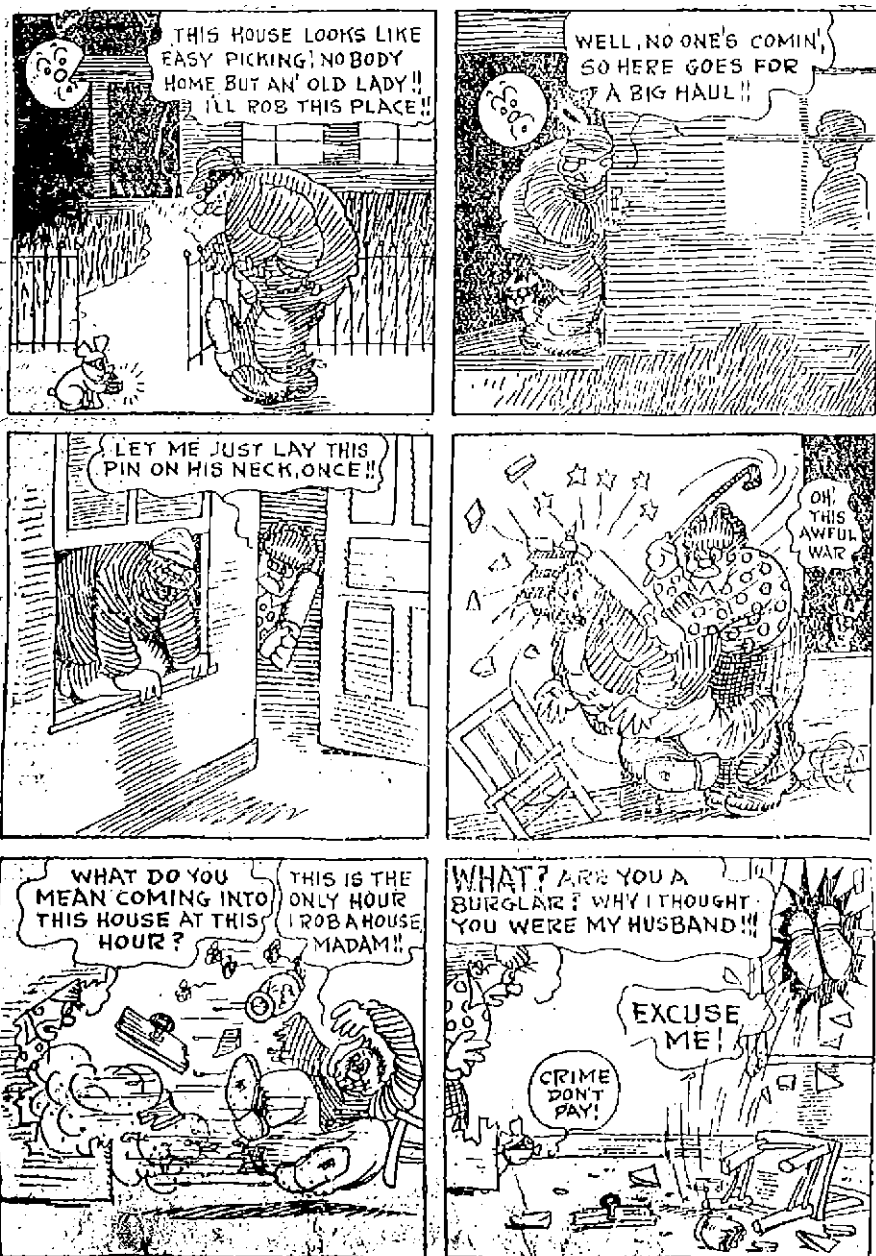
PROVIDENCE MAN ILL AND OUT OF
WORK COMMITTEE SUICIDE IN
ROGER WILLIAMS PARK

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 11.—A man's body found floating in a pond in Roger Williams park was identified yesterday afternoon as that of Anson Larson, 63 years old, of 29 Babcock street.

The man leaves a wife and three children. He has been in poor health and out of employment for some time. He went out Wednesday in search of work and, becoming despondent, decided to end his life, the authorities believe. Medical Examiner A. H. Lonsdale pronounced death due to suffocation.

SALE OF HANDWORK
This evening and tomorrow afternoon the Christmas club of the Edison school, composed of children of the fourth grade, will hold an exhibition and sale of handwork in Kirtson Hall at the Y. W. C. A. A short concert will be given Friday evening and there will be other attractions.

EXCUSE ME



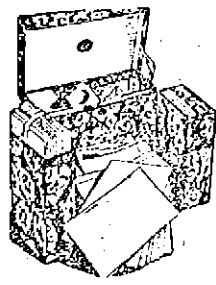
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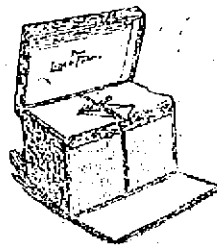
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Stationery in Christmas Boxes

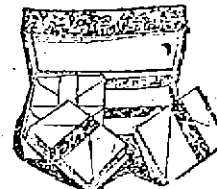
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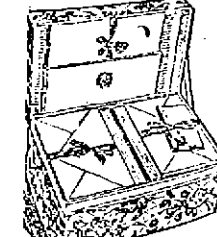
A CABINET containing 48 sheets of exceptionally fine quality paper and 48 Gold Edge Cards with envelopes to match. Box has separate compartments and makes an unusually attractive gift. \$1



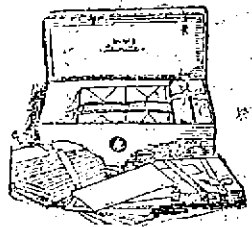
A very attractive box containing 24 sheets of very choice quality cloth surface writing paper and 24 cards with 48 of the very latest style flap envelopes to match. 50c



ONE of the best values to be obtained in a holiday Box of Stationery—contains 48 sheets of fine quality cloth surface writing paper and 48 envelopes to match. 25c



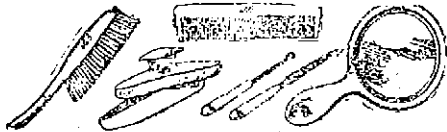
CABINET of 48 sheets of high grade fabric finish writing paper and two dozen gold edge correspondence cards, 48 envelopes to match. 75c



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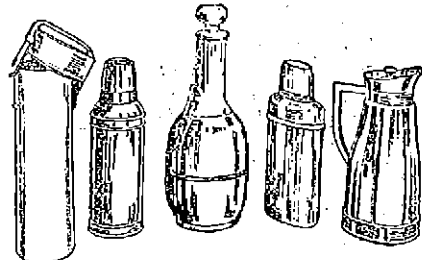
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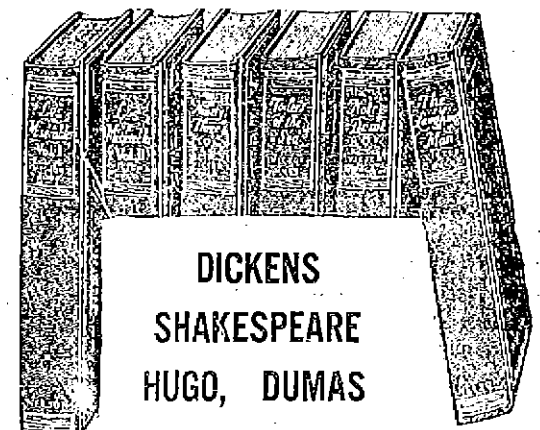


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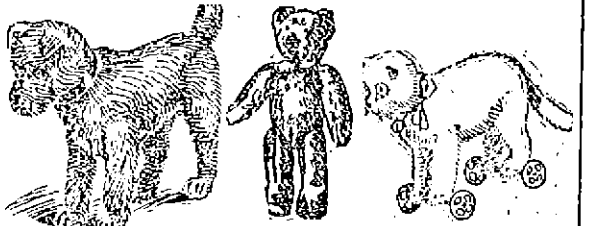
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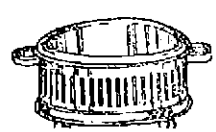
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THE RAILWAY PROBLEM

Appeal to Pres. Wilson to Establish a Constitution of Peace by Harrison

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—An appeal to President Wilson to solve the railway problem, or "to establish a 'Constitution of Peace' among the various views and interests which menace the success of the system of transportation," was made by Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway, in an address at the annual dinner of the Railway Business Association here last night. The association is a national organization of manufacturers, merchants and engineers dealing with railways.

Mr. Harrison said: "In the controversy between the owners of railways and the representatives of the public, the pendulum has now swung to an extreme on the side of irresponsible public power as it had previously swung to an extreme on the side of irresponsible ownership."

"The conception is that in the imposition of burdens, railroad companies are public concerns and subject to the public regulating power, but in the matter of relief, are private property and not entitled to be considered from the standpoint of their public service."

"Like the previous stage of irresponsible private control, the existing system of irresponsible, rigid and divided regulation cannot permanently endure. My present purpose is not to venture to suggest the solution but the source from which an acceptable solution must come."

"The problem is a statesman's opportunity. He who solves it must be trusted by all the people. He must be above the suspicion of selfish motive. All the lessons of history must be at his command. He must be a profound student of human action and of human government. He must have power to impress his views upon his fellowmen. He must be able, with just and equal hand, to divide unto capital and unto labor its living."

"He must be able to assure the public of the correction of abuses, the establishment of justice and the maintenance of facilities adequate for their needs, and he must be able to assure the private owner of protection to his just interests and of fairness to his just rights. He must be able to reconcile the people to his philosophy of regulation and the politician to the loss of a highly valued political asset. Is there a man among us who is capable of this?"

"I venture to suggest that the present president of the United States is equal to this great achievement. The time seems ripe for him to undertake it. He has recently in an impressive way shown publicly a sympathetic appreciation of the railroad situation. The fact thus made evident, that he has grasped the point of view from which a solution of this problem must be approached, has aroused in the minds of many the hope that before laying down the reins of government he will propose and work out some constructive plan that will give stability to railroad investment and growth."

"No ambition could be more worthy than to establish a 'Constitution of Peace' among the various views and interests which menace the success of the system of transportation. No service to his fellowmen could be a loftier or a finer service than to place this high interest of the people upon a sound, a stable and a permanent foundation."

"I think I properly interpret the men now charged with the responsibility of railroad management when I say that they will welcome a solution of the problem, however it may differ from any preconceived views, and will meet any suggestion that may be made in a cooperative and a helpful, and not in a carping or obstructive spirit."

FAVORS INTERSTATE CONTROL
NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Warren G. Harding, United States senator-elect from Ohio, in an address before the Railway Business Association at its annual dinner favored interstate control for the entire railroad service and an immediate general rate advance to "save the crash of the temple of transportation."

He said: "The argument has never appealed to me that we ought to prosper our railroads for the specific purpose of promoting general prosperity. It seems to me more important to prosper our transportation lines as a simple matter of fairness and justice to this most important single agency in our modern life."

"I believe that the day of plundering financing has passed. I should like to proclaim, in the same breath, the passing of railroad-baiting, less inspired by public good than by personal at profits and political gain. It has

been a great stunt to hammer the railroad."

"The drift is toward the sober, second thought. There has been an excess of commissioning. The best railroad knowledge in all the land ought to light the way. Public service ought to be the impelling purpose, unheeded public clamor."

"I believe it is the opinion of nine-tenths of every kind of the country are entitled to an increase of rates, and would gladly see it granted."

"Under our present system of reduced and insufficient earnings, and with increased cost of operation, there are no marked railway betterments except in the high tide of earnings when cost is highest and improvements are hampered by traffic operations. We ought to reverse this order and provide an ample earning in good times to enable extensive betterment to be made in the dull period. This would tend to better service in the days of the revival. Meanwhile the expenditure for betterments would relieve the general business mind such conditions as we complain of today."

"Through agitation and restriction, there has come impaired credit, until there is a threatening collapse of the railroad edifice. These items of maintenance and betterments have been overlooked by the political exploiters."

"Perhaps the lack of successful regulation is due to the newness of the undertaking, to the unavoidable political agitation and to the harassment of conflicting authority because of varied state legislation and state commissions. We ought to put the entire railway service under interstate control. Such a policy would save millions in public expense and put us on a broad plane. The law making industry is too often worked overtime. The country needs today less legislative bills pending and more railroad bills of aid."

"It is apparent that the interstate commerce commission believes in the pressing necessity for increased earnings, but opposes the short and direct route. The rate increase would be direct and immediate. Other remedial efforts could be left to follow the slower process of evolved adoption. If the combined income from increased rates and added service charges made excessive earnings, contrary to public policy, the same authority which grants the increase could order a reduction."

"A general rate advance will not bring the complete revival of American activity, but it will save the crash of the temple of transportation, establish railroad credit, and lead to that physical rehabilitation which is of prime importance in ministering to greater American activities."

DARING HOLDUP

Boston Girl Brutally Assaulted and Robbed of Her Handbag

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Another daring holdup took place early last evening in the Back Bay, when Miss Ellen W. Coolidge of 51 Marlboro street was brutally assaulted and robbed of her handbag, containing \$2.92, by a man near the corner of Marlboro and Arlington streets, just across from the public garden.

Miss Coolidge struggled with the robber, and in so doing sustained a series of severe blows on her body. It was not until the leather strap or handle of the bag gave way that the thief finally got the bag.

Miss Coolidge called for help, gave chase and later was present when her assailant was captured in the public garden by a young man and placed under arrest by Special Officer Lyons of the Back Bay station. Miss Coolidge was about to make a call when she was attacked. She was walking along Marlboro street from her home and was about to turn into Arlington street when a husky man jumped in front of her, grabbed hold of her bag and tried to get away with it.

She resisted, despite his threats, and clung to the bag, even when he struck her three or four times. Then the strap gave way and he ran off. Miss Coolidge all the time was crying for help and pursued her assailant as he ran along Arlington street and then into Brimmer street. A young man, whose name is not known to the police, gave chase to the robber, who turned into the public garden.

As he was running along the robber tripped and fell and the young man jumped on top of him and held him until the arrival of Special Officer Lyons. The bag was recovered.

Miss Coolidge was considerably worked up over her experience, but held her nerve all through the trying ordeal. The prisoner was taken to station 16, where he gave the name of Joseph Glynn, 27 years old, and claimed to live at 45 Dover street, South End.

DOMESTIC COMMERCE

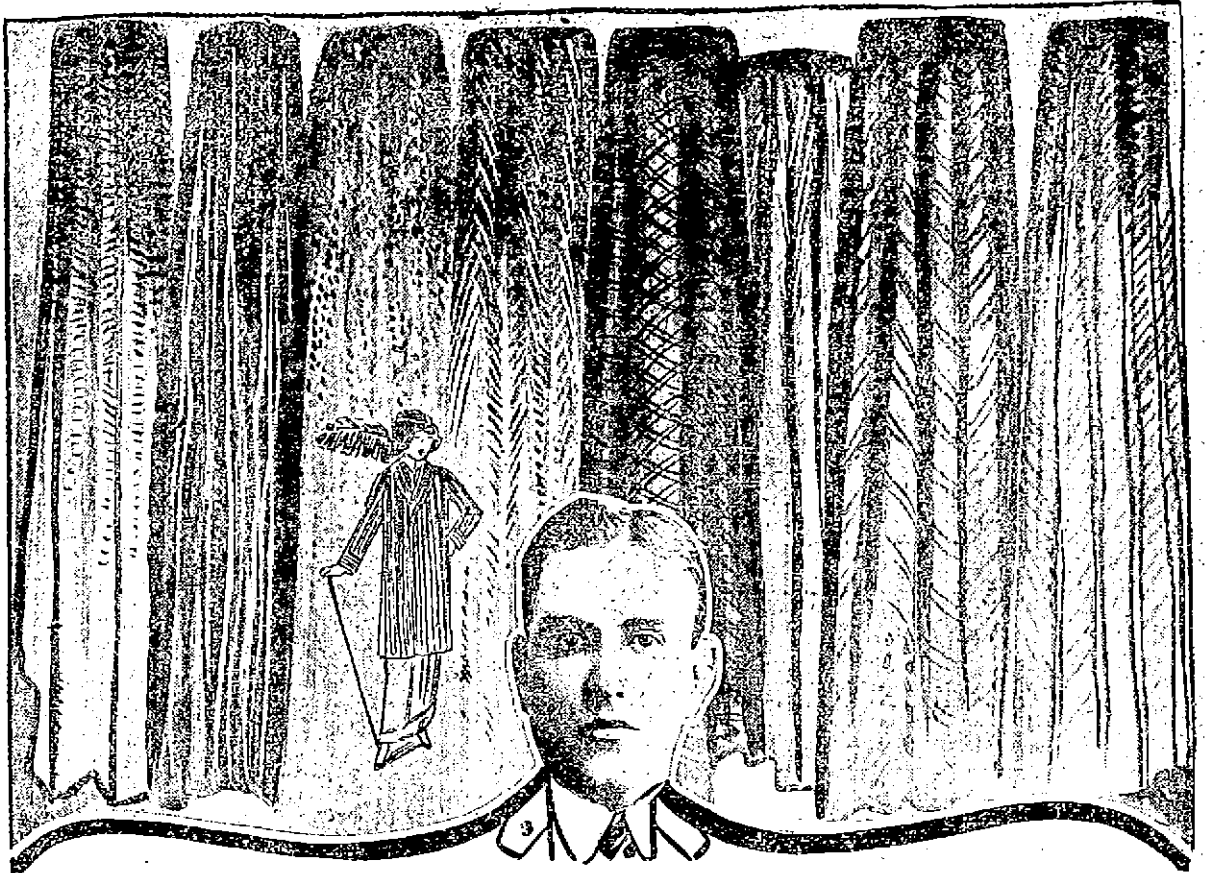
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—A downward trend in wholesale prices of leading articles of factory consumption and many of the staple articles of food in 1913 and 1914, down to the bottom of the European war and a rapid rise in prices of foodstuffs following that event are indicated by a pamphlet just issued by the department of commerce through the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. The booklet referred to is published under the title of "Wholesale Prices of Leading Articles in the United States Markets—Miscellaneous Series No. 19, and may be obtained from the superintendent of documents, Government Printing office, Washington, D. C., for the nominal sum of five cents. Its practical value is far beyond what might be inferred from its price, for it contains a weekly record of the price fluctuations of the principal basic articles of industry, such as iron and steel, petroleum, cotton, wool and the kind of leading foodstuffs including wheat, corn, sugar, coffee, tea, rice, pork and beef.

Cottonseed oil, manila, rice from steel billets and blooms, petroleum, copper, silk thread and silver wire in each case at a lower price level in the closing week of July last than in the corresponding period a year ago and this was also true of sugar, coffee and rice. Wheat, corn, cattle, cotton, leather, and domestic wool ruled somewhat higher than in the preceding year. Australian wool showed a precipitous decline immediately following the date at which wool was transferred to the free list. Its average price dropping from 82 cents per pound on December 2, 1912, to 81 cents on December 12 of that year. The range of prices of these and numerous other articles by weeks from January 1, 1913, to October 31, 1914, is shown in the pamphlet in question.

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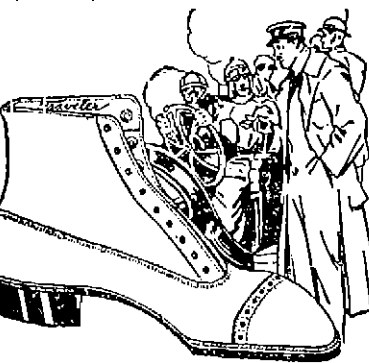
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BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Prominent Chinese societies of the United States, among which were included Boston organizations, yesterday forwarded to President Wilson a message asking him to refuse a new loan of \$500,000,000 to the present Chinese government.

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NEW PASTOR CALLED

MEMBERS OF GRACE CHURCH EXTEND UNANIMOUS CALL TO REV. H. E. BENTON OF STAMFORD

Rev. Herbert E. Benton of Stamford, Conn., has been given a unanimous call to the pastorate of Grace Universalist church, to succeed Rev. C. R. Skinner. The vote to extend the call was taken at the meeting of the members of the church last evening. A month or so ago a call was extended to Rev. Howard B. Bard of San Diego, Cal., who accepted conditionally, and who later found it necessary to withdraw his acceptance.

Mr. Benton has supplied the pulpit of the Grace church only once, Nov. 23, on which occasion he made a very good impression. At the present time he is pastor of the Universalist church of Stamford, of which he has had charge for the past six years. Previously to his Stamford pastorate he occupied the pulpit of a California church. Mr. Benton is married and has one son, aged 14 years. His wife is a sister of Dr. Levi M. Powers of Gloucester and a graduate of a theological seminary.

The meeting last evening was called for the express purpose of extending a call to Mr. Benton. Percy D. Thompson was the moderator.

FOREST EXHIBITS

Part of the government's exhibit for the Panama California exposition at San Diego leaves Washington this week. This portion has to do with the national forests of New Mexico, and will be shown in the New Mexico building, the exhibit having been prepared in cooperation with the state board of exposition commissioners of that state. The material also shows specimens of the principal timber trees of New Mexico and their uses. Other exposition material is to leave

soon for San Francisco, where it will form a part of the Panama Pacific exposition. Part of this is being prepared through cooperation between the forest service and the United States civil service commission. The commission passes on the qualifications of all candidates for positions in the forest service, testing the fitness of those who wish to become forest officers through outdoor examination in climbing, surveying, timber estimating, and similar matters as well as by more conventional methods. Its exhibit will illustrate the duties of these officers.

Cooperation also exists in the preparation of exhibit material, between the forest service and the bureau of education. This shows how forest subjects are used in the public schools in connection with nature study, commercial geography, agriculture, and the like. One of the exhibits is a display made by the normal school pupils of the District of Columbia, in which a number of those who are studying for teachers' positions entered a prize contest on tree study. Each of the contestants prepared a separate exhibit showing the life history and the products of individual trees, such as white pine, hickory, or sugar maple.

Mr. Benton is a deep student of sociological work and a member of the Society of Political Economy of New York. He was also associated with Frank Keenan in exposing polygamy in magazine articles. He was a government witness in the case against United States Senator Reed Smoot of Utah and also aided the government in the effort to stamp out polygamy. Mrs. Smith said last night that she was unable to tell what the plans of her husband are for the future, but that he hoped to be able to complete his course at Clark University.

STUDYING AT WORCESTER

New Head of the Original Mormon Church, Aiming for Doctor's Degree at Clark University, Worcester

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—Frederick M. Smith, who will succeed his father, Joseph Smith, as president of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints, resides here with his wife and two daughters at 5 Wells street.

HIGHLAND CLUB WHIST

The following were the winners of the progressive whist tournament at the Highland club Wednesday evening: First prize, crystal shaker set, won by Mrs. Roy Lovejoy; second prize, cut glass creamer and sugar bowl, won by Mrs. C. Henry Clapp; third prize, salad dish on silver base, won by Mrs. Rena Hanson; consolation prize, shears and paper cutter, won by Mrs. John Morrison. Refreshments were served. The affair was in charge of Alexander Strauss, A. H. Norton and James S. Hanson.

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EDISON IS UNDAUNTED

HAD NO INSURANCE BECAUSE COM-
PANY ONCE INSURED HIM, HE
SAID

WEST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 11.—Thomas A. Edison, after planning all night the rebuilding of his factories swept by fire, went to sleep yesterday afternoon, and Mrs. Edison saw to it that he was not disturbed. When he awoke he said with a chuckle and a sigh:

"It's just another experience, more as a rule, and not so expensive."
"What would you estimate the loss to be, Mr. Edison?"
"I think about \$2,000,000," answered the inventor.

"No I didn't have any insurance. I understand, though, that the boys had placed some insurance on two frame buildings. I don't know how much."
By "the boys" he meant the men associated with him, some of them of nearly 50 years. He went on: "I'll tell you how I felt about insurance. A good many years ago I owned a factory that we decided to abandon. It was insured. Renewal of insurance was refused. The company said that abandoning the factory raised a 'moral issue' as to the insurance."

"What they meant and made clear was that they thought I might set that abandoned factory afire to get the insurance. Well, I just made up my mind that never hereafter would any one get a chance to raise 'moral issue' about my business."

The smile in the corners of his mouth deepened and his eyes, which had flashed for an instant, became thoughtful as he continued:

"The big lesson of this fire has been the value of concrete construction. My buildings are built but there they stand ready for rebuilding."

"One error revealed was in not using steel window sashes and trim, and

wired glass that withstands great heat. We will certainly have to use that fin-
ish hereafter. My good friend, Henry Ford, tells me that all his automobile factories have this steel trim and

wired glass.
"Our own water system would have served had not the electric wires been wrecked by the fire. We were pumped 600 to 800 gallons a minute when the wires went."
The inventor paused a moment, bowing his gray head and folding his hands. Then he looked up and said with a twinkle:

"My workshop is saved. The place

where I spend my money is all right, but the place where I make it is all gone."
Pleased with his epigram, he laughed a little and then added:

"That's the way it goes. This is the second time I've lost \$2,000,000 in a lump. I once sank that much in a plant at Edinboro, N. J. It's all in the game of life the game. It will take a whole lot more than this to stop me."

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WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

A NICE CHRISTMAS GIFT

"Oh, Marie, I am quite destitute. I have only \$6 and I must buy auntie and father's Christmas presents with that," sighed Marjorie.

"Why not make them something pretty? I am sure they would appreciate a product of your needle-work more than anything you could buy in a shop," answered Marie.

"But what could I make?" questioned Marjorie, frowningly.

"Well, I should think a beautiful little silk work-bag that could be used for holding a small quantity of sewing would be good," suggested Marie.

"Just that thing. Why it was only yesterday that my cousin's mother wrapped her sewing up in paper to carry over to a friend's house, and I am sure she would like a work-bag," Marjorie replied enthusiastically.

"I think Madame would be pleased, too, as she does not own one, and if you like I will tell you how to make it. First it is best to hunt the bargain counters for short ends of silk and ribbon. Choose something of a Dresden or a Persian design and line it with a plain color," answered Marie.

"Now to make the work-bag follow

these directions. From the brocaded ribbon five inches in width cut five

inch sections two inches wide at the

greatest diameter. Then cut five

more sections from gathering thread

through each side of the plain section

and draw them taut, until the section

measures ten inches long."

"On the section, using silk until the

bag is complete allowing the points

to fall free from within three inches

of the top.

Line the bag with plain silk and run

two rows of stitching three and one-

half inches apart. Through this thread

draw strings together with silk threads.

"The brocaded ribbon used for this

bag is of tapestry blue, brocaded in a

design of white and gold. The plain

ribbon is a pale tint of blue, and the

threads are blue and white. Blue and

gold color, pink and old rose, and pink

and pale blue are effective combinations

for this bag.

"Oh, I am so anxious to begin them

that I think I will go now and I thank

you a thousand times, you have saved

my life," laughed Marjorie.

BARRIOS DIAMONDS

We have purchased the entire stock of Barrios Diamonds from the Harding Co., Inc., 507 Washington St., Boston, Mass., that they formerly sold from \$1.50 to \$4.50. Our price 50c. This is the chance of a life time.



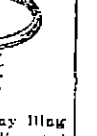


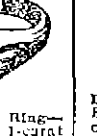
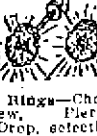
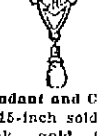
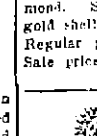
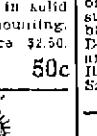

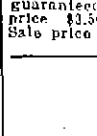
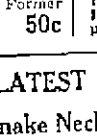
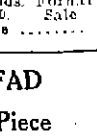
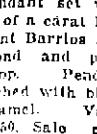
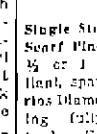
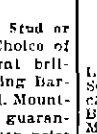

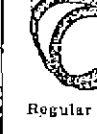
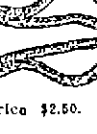
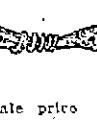


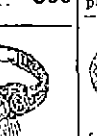




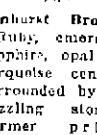
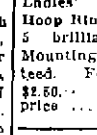
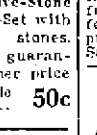

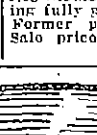
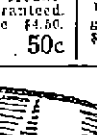
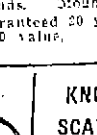
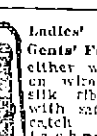
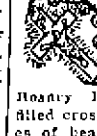
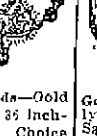




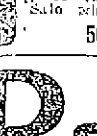

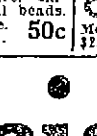
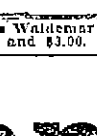

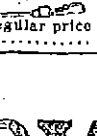
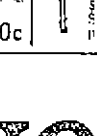
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NONE IS SERIOUSLY INJURED, HOWEVER, WHEN THEIR HORSE WAGON UPSETS

MILFORD, Dec. 11.—While answering an alarm yesterday, five firemen were thrown from their horse-drawn wagon when it upset, throwing five fire-

men to the street. Driver Edward Duggan kept hold of the reins and saved a runaway. Percy Jeffrey was struck a glancing blow by the wagon and sustained a sprained ankle and bruises of the body.

Duggan, Harold Trudell, Lester Reed and Christopher McMan were the others upset, but none suffered more than bruises. The fire was a slight blaze in the house owned by Michael Abbatino.

DAVID LERNER A SUICIDE

WORCESTER LAPELSTANT BRIDEGROOM BECOMES DESPONDENT ON LOSING DOWRY

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—Despondent over the fact, it is said, that he had no money for his marriage, which he had planned to take place soon, David Lerner, aged 23, of 2 Blake street, committed suicide last night by inhaling gas at his home.

He was found fully dressed on his bed by his mother, who thought at first he had fainted. She summoned Police Surgeon Joseph A. Smith, who applied the pulmonary in an attempt to save the young man's life.

Lerner had carefully removed the cap from the gas jet and then lain down on the bed. He left seven letters, now in the hands of the police. Two weeks ago the money Lerner had saved for his wedding was stolen by a roommate.

NATIONAL LEAGUE BASEBALL MAGNATES HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING IN NEW YORK CITY



NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The meeting of the owners and managers of the National league brought out a larger attendance than usual because of the important questions to be discussed and the desire of various managers to make trades that would strengthen their teams. Standing, left to right, Robert H. Davis, Boston; Harry Ackerland, Chicago; Edward J. McKeever, Brooklyn; John C. Toole, Boston; Stephen McKeever, Brooklyn; John Heydler, secretary; John B. Foster, New York; Harry Stephens, Cincinnati. Seated, left to right, S. P. Britton, St. Louis; Harry N. Hempstead, New York; James Gaffney, Boston; J. J. Tener, president; August Horrmann, Cincinnati; Charles H. Ebbets, Brooklyn; Barney Dreyfuss, Pittsburgh; C. R. Thomas, Chicago; and William F. Baker, Philadelphia.

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Smart box and fitted models, in gray melton and dark oxfords—tailored by Stein-Bloch—coats with style enough to suit most young men, and not too extreme for older men—none worth less than \$20—some higher—choice at \$17.50. Sizes, 34 to 40.

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This lot of coats at \$12.50 offers fine picking for the man who wants to make his dollars go the limit—including blue and gray cheinillas in box models—melton finish coatings in box model with shawl or notch collars. Not a coat worth less than \$15—some higher. Sizes, 34 to 40.



What Better Christmas Gift for a Man Than a Nice Bath Robe?

The feature of this season's stock of robes at this store is the good selection at popular prices. At \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.50 there are fine, blanket robes in quiet and bold designs and tasteful colorings with notch collars, buttoning at the neck, and shawl collars with silk cording, binding and silk girdles.

Navajo art craft wool robes, which are not shown elsewhere in town, are real class in high grade robes for men. Priced at \$10, \$12 and \$15.

Gifts Men Would Like

Mackinaw Coats in plain colors, stripes and plaids, and Indian designs, \$6.50 to \$10
Dress Vests, in pique, and mercerized fabrics \$3 to \$5
Pajamas, in voilette, flannellette or silk mixed some initialled \$1.00 to \$3.00
Golf Jackets, heavy shaker knit, some with collars \$3.00, \$5.00, \$6.00
Umbrellas, cotton or silk bodies, smart handles, \$1.00 to \$5.00

Shirts for dress or business. Manhattan and our own special label shirts, \$1.00, \$1.50 up to \$3.50
Neckwear, woven, knitted and crocheted silks, 25c, 50c up to \$2.00
Gloves, unlined, wool lined and fur lined, \$1.15, \$1.50 up to \$5.00
Hosiery, hile or silk 25c, 50c, \$1.00
Handkerchiefs, lawn, linen or silk initialled or plain \$12 1/2c, 25c, 50c
Cuff Links and Scarf Pins, a nice assortment 50c to \$1.50

Combination Sels—Neckwear and hose; neckwear, hose and handkerchief; suspenders and garters; belt and garters; belt, garters and arm bands—all neatly boxed.

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SEC. HOUSTON'S REPORT

Says New Bank Law Takes Just and Particular Knowledge of Farmers' Requirements

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—That there is no emergency, which justifies government assistance to farmers directly through the use of government cash or credit, was the position taken by Secretary Houston of the department of agriculture, in discussing rural credit in his annual report submitted yesterday to President Wilson. Secretary Houston's statement was regarded as indicating the policy of the administration.

Secretary Houston pointed out that the new bank law "takes just and particular knowledge of the farmer's requirements." He suggested that any credit needs of the agricultural community beyond those cared for under the federal reserve law should be cared for by a system of "cooperative credit associations" financed with private funds, by means of which the combined credit of farming community

ties could be utilized, and by a system of land mortgage banks, likewise, privately capitalized.

"There seems to be no emergency which requires or justifies government assistance to the farmers directly through the use of the government's cash or the government's credit," said the report. "The American farmer is sturdy, self-reliant and independent. He is not in the condition of serfdom or semi-serfdom in which were the European peoples from whom government aid was extended in some form or other during the last century."

In advocating a land mortgage banking system and a system of cooperative credit associations, the report asserted that the use of the funds loaned for productive purposes on the farms covered by the mortgages should be insisted upon.

Marketing System

Mr. Houston's report reviews the in-

vestigation of the marketing and distribution system and while the study is not yet sufficiently finished to admit of final conclusions the work thus far shows the need of a reorganization of the distribution process. He says:

"During the present grass season, for example, Chicago has received Mexican, Canadian and Florida cattle at about the same time. Steers raised in California have an Oregon operator have been shipped through Denver to Omaha and their beef sent to points on the Atlantic coast. Hogs raised in Illinois and sold at Indianapolis have been slaughtered at Boston and a part of their cured bacon shipped to Los Angeles. Michigan dressed veal calves expressed to South Water street commission houses at Chicago have been returned to the identical shipping points from which they came to fill orders from local retail markets."

Secretary Houston asks congress for an additional emergency appropriation of several million dollars on account of the recent outbreak of the foot-and-mouth disease among cattle. He said that if the interval between the last and the present session of congress had been longer the department would have been without sufficient funds to meet the situation.

"The department," he said, "has pursued its former policy of purchasing diseased and exposed cattle at an appraised value and of slaughtering them and burying them. It has established a very strict quarantine. The expense of this task will be very great and it will be necessary to ask congress for an emergency appropriation of several millions of dollars. The future market is vast and justify any reasonable expenditure."

Standard Grain Grades

The report sets forth the activities of the department in establishing standard grain grades, and in the initial administration of the new cotton futures law which the secretary calls the "first definite systematic, legal approach to the solution of difficult problems in this field of distribution." The secretary recommends consideration of legislation to establish a permissive warehousing system for grain and cotton. He pointed out that the warehouse facilities for cotton in the south are not centralized.

"If the warehouses now in existence," said the report, "were remodelled so as to comply with the underwriters' requirements and were bonded and if adequate business methods were adopted the financing of the cotton crop would be materially improved. Such a system would furnish relief in times of emergency and would form a useful part of the normal distributive system. It is probable that a federal law for a permissive warehousing system would stimulate this desirable development."

While the production of grain generally showed a great increase in the crop of 1914, the report pointed out the production of corn showed no advance, and the meat production showed a distinct decline. In this connection the secretary points out a "lamentable neglect of live stock production in the south."

The secretary's report includes a table giving the census figures for 1909 and 1907, showing that in all products except corn and meat animals there has been a marked increase in production during the ten-year period. Continuing, the report says:

Record Wheat Crop

"We know that the wheat crop of 1914 of approximately 82,000,000 bushels is the greatest ever produced in our history, and that the crops of oats, barley, rye, potatoes, tobacco, and hay are unusually large. The report points out that in October 15,240,000 bushels, is the second largest. The apple crop, estimated at 239,000,000 bushels, is the greatest ever harvested. The total production of six leading cereals is estimated to have been nearly 5,000,000,000 bushels, or about 428,000,000 bushels in excess of the crop of 1913. For the country as a whole the crop yields per acre were 2.3 per cent. better than the average for the past ten years. The average yield per acre of all the staple crops was 9.4 per cent. greater than 1913, and, except for corn, oats, and flaxseed, greater than the ten-year average."

"But after all our efforts, while there is an increased diversification of agriculture and both a relative and absolute interest in important products, such as wheat, forage crops, fruits, dairy products, and poultry, we still note not only a relative but also an absolute decrease in a number of our important staple food products, such as corn and meat. In the former in the last 15 years there has been no substantial advance. In cattle, sheep, and hogs there has been an absolute decline—in cattle, from the census year of 1899 to that of 1909, of 50,000,000 head to 41,000,000; in sheep, of from 61,000,000 to 52,000,000; in hogs, of from 63,000,000 to 55,000,000. Since 1909 the tendency has been downward, and yet during the period since 1909 the population has increased over 20,000,000. This situation exists not in a crowded country but in one which is still in a measure being ploughed; in one which, with 235,000,000 acres of arable land, has only 400,000,000 of 45 per cent. under cultivation; and in one in which the population per square mile does not exceed 31 and ranges from 0.7 person in Nevada to 563 in Rhode Island."

In urging farmers generally to diversify their products and especially to produce beef, swine and poultry, at least for home consumption, the secretary said:

"If farmers in the south had heretofore practiced diversification on a sufficiently large scale, producing their own home supplies, that section would not be in its present hard case. The experts of this department are laboring earnestly to bring about a better direction of the agricultural activities of the south."

The report reviewed the increased activity of the department's information bureau and included a statement of the plans for a reorganization of the department to increase efficiency. The opening up of the forest reserve in a manner that would aid local communities and at the same time whereby the forests, and a system whereby the government could bear a part of the local burden of taxation to be charged against future timber sales, where forests are not at present available for timbering, were recommended.

MALDEN MAN ESCAPES

WILLIAM CLARK RUSHES IN NIGHT CLOTHES FROM BURNING HOUSE AT SACO, MAINE

SACO, Dec. 11.—William Clark, aged 65 years, of Malden, Mass., who has been living alone in a 1½-story farmhouse owned by Arthur Deering of Malden, escaped in his night clothes when the building was burned to the ground yesterday.

He was awakened by the glare of

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2-Clasp Silk Lined Mocha Gloves, in tan and gray.....

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James. The front room was on fire, and the others were fast filling with smoke. He grabbed his clothing and started to escape. He was blinded by the smoke and it was with difficulty that he groped his way to the kitchen and to the doorway.

Although the temperature was near freezing, and the wind was blowing a gale, Mr. Clark dressed in the yard. There were no houses within a quarter of a mile. He was able to secure a few of his belongings, but the fire finally drove him back. He was standing in the yard watching the fire when Arthur Guerin, a milkman, drove by. He gave the alarm, and James W. Henderson telephoned to the central fire station. The buildings were fast when the firemen arrived. The fire communicated with the grass and was racing toward a timber lot when

stopped by the firemen. The loss on the building and contents is \$500, with no insurance. Mr. Clark will return to Malden.

CHINESE CROWD COURT

EXTRA PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT TROUBLE IN BOSTON—MEMBERS OF RIVAL TONGS IN SUIT

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—An echo of the war between the Chinese factions known as the Hop Sing Tong and the On Leong Tong, which culminated in a murderous attack on Oxford place a few years ago, followed by the execution of three Chinese, for murder in the

first degree and life imprisonment for the instigator of the crime, was heard yesterday in a trial begun before Judge Wentworth in the municipal civil court.

The courtroom and the corridor were crowded by Chinese, and the court officers, with the Oxford place tragedy in mind, took extra precautions to guard against an outbreak.

The suit under consideration was brought by Harry Yee Sung Tang, a laundryman, against Tee Gow Tee of 11 Harrison avenue, and the plaintiff is seeking \$2000 for an alleged false arrest, made as he claims at the instance of Tee.

Tang is a member of the Hop Sing Tong, and Tee belongs to the On Leong Tong. He had Tang arrested on July 14 last on a charge of larceny of \$675, which Tee said he let Tang have to buy a laundry in Lynn. In the municipal criminal court Tang was found not guilty and discharged.

Tang testified before Judge Wentworth yesterday that the trouble between him and Tee arose out of Tang's going to Tee's grocery store and being induced to gamble. After the game was over Tee claimed that Tang owed

him \$400, and later, as Tang claims, Tee offered, if Tang would pay him \$500, to make no trouble about it.

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THE MERRIMACK RIVER

Lowell Men Urge Improvement
Appropriation of \$7,500,000
President Invited to Speak Here

Strong arguments in favor of an appropriation of \$7,500,000 for the improvement and development of the Merrimack river from Lowell to the sea were presented the committee on rivers and harbors yesterday, at Washington, by Congressman John Jacob Rogers and others. There were 49 delegates present at the meeting from six commercial organizations of cities in the Merrimack valley, and although only five of them addressed the meeting, all held informal conversations with the members and supplemented the speeches by private arguments. John H. Murphy, secretary of the Lowell board of trade, was one of the speakers. His statement to the committee was published in The Sun yesterday.

Following the hearing before the committee Congressman Rogers introduced the Lowell bill to President Wilson, to whom an invitation was extended to speak at the 25th anniversary of the Lowell board of trade on Feb. 8. "This the president said he would consider. A dinner at a local hotel in the evening closed the activities of the visit."

Congressman Rogers' Statement
Congressman Rogers presented a carefully prepared statement to the committee. It was, in part, as follows:

"I desire in the first place to emphasize strongly the fact that there is no disposition, so far as I am aware, anywhere in the Merrimack valley, or in Massachusetts even, to attempt to procure an appropriation, large or small, for the improvement of the Merrimack river upon the 'pork barrel' principle. We simply desire to have every material fact relative to the river put before the highest authorities having jurisdiction, so that they may then decide justly whether the facts warrant the expenditure of government funds upon the Merrimack river."

We are naturally handicapped at this time because of the adverse report handed down by Col. Craighill on Nov. 14th last. We are also heavily handicapped by the circumstance that this report has not yet been printed and indeed has not even been abstracted in the newspapers. It is true that two or three men, myself among them, have

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Silk Socks, \$2 value.....\$1.00
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Wool Underwear, 99c, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.48, \$2 and \$2.50.
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been permitted to read over the report, but only under a strict injunction of secrecy. I do not refer to this fact in any spirit of criticism, but merely to point out how difficult it must necessarily be at this time to rebut the points raised in a report of considerable length and in large measure of a technical character. It was the existence of these barriers to an effective argument that I had in mind when we appeared before the board of engineers yesterday afternoon on our appeal from Col. Craighill's report, to ask either that this report be forthwith re-examined by the board of engineers or that we be given a continuance without prejudice for two or three months, during which time interested parties might have full opportunity to examine a printed copy of the Craighill report and, if desirable, to engage skilled engineering assistance in dissecting it.

When congress convened on Monday of this week I introduced a bill (H. R. 2949) which was referred to your committee. It reads as follows:

"A BILL
Appropriating money for the improvement of Merrimack river from its mouth to Lowell, Massachusetts."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AS COMPILED IN SENATE REPORT NO. 100, 55th CONGRESS, 1ST SESSION, THAT the sum of \$7,500,000 be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the United States, not otherwise appropriated, which sum shall be expended under the direction of the secretary of war, for the improvement, for purposes of navigation, of the Merrimack river from its mouth to Lowell, Mass.

Asks for \$7,500,000
I ask for \$7,500,000 because the estimate of Colonel Craighill of the cost of engineering from the mouth of the river up to Lowell is \$7,000,000 and because I desire to suggest only a relatively small increase over his statement of the estimate of the bare cost of engineering. Colonel Craighill estimates that the cost of paying flowage claims and providing terminal facilities would add some \$500,000 more. His estimate of the amount of flowage claims far exceeds that of local experts who think, and I understand are prepared to prove, that this item would be relatively trivial. The cities up and down the banks of the Merrimack have already guaranteed to provide terminal facilities, so it would seem that this item also would be greatly reduced from Colonel Craighill's estimate. If it did not, it would disappear altogether. In any event, the commonwealth of Massachusetts has already appropriated \$1,000,000 toward the improvement of the Merrimack river, provided the United States would pay for the remainder of the work. I think it is fair therefore to say that so far as the federal government is concerned, this problem is one involving a few million dollars, instead of ten million dollars.

Colonel Craighill's position is that that the saving to result from a navigable Merrimack river ought annually to amount to 4% upon the \$10,000,000 capital invested. He therefore estimates \$400,000 as the necessary saving to be effected by the project. It is completely deniable. Besides this, he indicates that \$100,000 should be spent annually for maintenance. It will be observed, however, that if \$7,500,000 be accepted as the basis of calculation, the annual saving, at 4%, need be only \$300,000, or, including the \$100,000 for maintenance, \$400,000.

Saving in Transportation
Let us see if navigation would in fact effect this saving. Upon the answer to this inquiry depends the answer to the question whether the Merrimack river should or should not be made navigable. Others who will speak today will speak of the extent to which the Merrimack river is navigable, would be commercially used and how much a saving to the people of the section would result. I desire to submit just one consideration to this connection. Colonel Craighill estimates that an average of twenty cents per ton would be saved to the consumers of coal brought to the Merrimack valley upon a coal barge, if the water, in this sufficient estimate of what would in fact be so saved, in a special report of the Merrimack valley waterway board (January, 1911), a commission appointed by authority of the Massachusetts legislature, to investigate Merrimack river navigability, is stated:

"The total coal consumption of these cities and towns exceeds 1,200,000 tons, only about 125,000 tons of which is now received by water. In the opinion of the manufacturers along the river, an adequate water route for the reception of this commodity would effect a saving in freight rates of from 50 cents to \$1 a ton, in addition to the saving in transportation charges. A general merchandise, raw material and manufactured product."

It has not been possible in the short time since Col. Craighill's report was available to make a lengthy, detailed examination of this point. This is one of the things which will be the subject of further and more detailed inquiry in the weeks to come. However, it can be reasonably stated from an examination of the railroad rates for coal on file with the Interstate Commerce Commission, that the rates to Lowell and Lawrence are in the neighborhood of 50 cents to 55 cents a ton higher than those to Newburyport or Boston. In some cases the figures are even higher. The difference between Boston and Lawrence, for example, reaching 85 cents per ton. The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company states that the rate to Lowell is the same as the rate to Boston, but the rate to Lowell is kept low by the competition of water transportation. The Pennsylvania railroad appends to its tariff a footnote to the same effect. In the report of Col. Edward Burr on the Merrimack river, dated May 22, 1910 (House document 5, 61st Congress, 1st session) it is said, page 62:

"In the absence of water transportation facilities at Lawrence and Lowell there is no water-hoistage at this time. All commercial traffic at this time is in the hands of the railroads, which are now all owned or controlled by one corporation, the Boston & Maine railroad. Railroad freight rates throughout this section are relatively high."

1210, 62d Congress, 2d session, page 62.

"The improvement of the channel is reported to enable the delivery of coal by water at rates 25 to 50 cents per ton less than by rail."

In the report of the chief of engineers, U. S. A., for 1913 (House document 102, 63d Congress, 1st session), it is stated:

"It is reported that the improvement would have reduced freight rates 25 cents per ton, and that if the projected depth of 12 feet at 3500 low water be obtained, the waterway would reduce freight rates the freight rates 15 to 25 cents per ton."

Some authorities put the saving in freight per ton as high as 70 cents to Lawrence and Lowell. I am content, however, to accept 50 cents instead of 70 cents as being a very conservative basis for further calculation.

As above stated the total amount of coal now used in the Merrimack valley is handled over by rail exceeds a million tons, of course it is ridiculous to say that all this would be hauled by water even if the Merrimack river were made navigable. But in view of the official statements of the railroads themselves, the railroad rates would immediately drop to a true competitive figure. Perhaps some of you will say that this is not the case

upon which our river should be made navigable—that the regulation of railroad rates should be made directly, and not indirectly through improved water competition. Very likely. Yet we in the Merrimack valley are today struggling under high freight rates which have for years driven us unsuccessfully to reduce. Furthermore, one of the great engineering officers of the United States Army told me that in his opinion from one-half to one-third of the money spent by the United States for rivers and harbors in recent years was devoted to the theory that the effect of the expenditure would be to reduce railroad freight rates. But we of the Merrimack valley do vigorously contend that the river would be freely used up to Lowell and Lawrence, if such use were possible. As shown above, over 10 per cent. of the coal used today throughout the valley is transported by water, although a channel is available only up to Lawrenceville, much the smallest, both in population and in industries, of the three Merrimack valley cities in Massachusetts above Newburyport.

Save \$250,000 Per Year

If but half of the one million tons of coal now carried by rail to the Merrimack valley were carried by water, and if, speaking very conservatively, but 50 cents per ton were thus saved,

there would be a resultant decrease in the amount paid for coal alone of \$250,000 per year. This is, of course, upon the assumption that the Merrimack valley will not grow industrially and hence in coal consumption. In fact Lowell has increased in population 12 per cent. for the decade ending 1910. Lawrence 37 per cent., and Haverhill 17 per cent. This minimum saving of \$250,000 a year is, it will be remembered, for one commodity only and deals with conditions as they exist today with no allowance for increase in population or industries. It will be observed nevertheless that the amount represents three-fifths of the total saving which, upon Colonel Craighill's figures and theory, must be effected if the expenditure is to be deemed economically sound.

Your chairman was good enough to assign this hearing several months ago and in spite of the adverse report of the local engineer it seemed to those interested wise to come before you today as projected. I introduced the measure to which I have referred, calling for \$7,500,000, so that the question might be officially before you at this time. I will say to you frankly, and speaking only for myself, that I do not expect that this committee will report favorably upon the measure at present. Yet believe, however, that we shall secure a reversal of the adverse report of Colonel Craighill

James H. Cox; treasurer, J. T. McDonough; R. S. W. C. Bowles; S. W. Patrick; J. W. C. Daley; S. B. Owen; M. J. J. E. J. E. Lang; lecturer, John H. McLaughlin; trustee for three years, Patrick Roddy; physician, Dr. Wm. M. Collins.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL
The annual election of officers of Highland Council 670, Royal Arcanum, was held last evening with the following result: Robert, John W. McKnight; vice recent, Charles E. Stuart; orator, John E. Lelander; past recent, Loren M. Fuller; secretary, W. Dana Hill; collector, Adelbert M. Huntington; treasurer, C. Frank Butterfield; chaplain, Herbert C. Montgomery; guide, A. Oscar Philmore; warden, Albert W. Philmore; squire, Fred C. Hand; trustees, Alanson B. Walsh, Frank Dodge, Alanson Gray; representatives to the grand council, Loren M. Fuller and Wm. J. Carey; alternates, Felix D. Langworthy and Arthur H. Dana; representative to Hospital Fund association, Adelbert M. Huntington.

Court General Shields
At the regular meeting of Court General Shields, 16, Foresters of America, held last evening, the following officers were elected: C. R. John Hanley, S. C. R., Patrick Harker, F. S.

GUN BATTLE IN THE STREETS OF WORCESTER

Joseph English Escapes in Duel
With Police—Flees From House
Amid Shower of Bullets

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—When Inspector Burke and Casey called at 10 Assonet street last night to serve requisition papers on Joseph English, alias John Williams, aged 45, they narrowly escaped serious injury, when English, a South Carolina negro, turned upon them with a repeating rifle and fired at them.

English, or Williams, as he is known in Worcester, is wanted according to Capt. Patrick O'Day, in Camden, S. C., for selling leased property. The police say he is wanted for numerous offenses.

Casey and Burke called at his home shortly before 8 o'clock and explained their errand. English, admitting his guilt, requested time to change his

SALEM FIRE SUFFERERS THREE KILLED IN WRECK

GRAND JURY SEADING WILL REPORT TO ROYAL ARCADE SUPREMACY COUNCIL

SALEM, Dec. 11.—Edward Seading, grand juror, and members of his staff were tendered a reception last evening in Manning hall by Salem council, Royal Arcanum, Arthur H. Jones, council, and a large number of other persons. While at the reception Mr. Seading inspected the burned district and secured information regarding the members of the order who suffered by the fire. The supreme council will be advised of his findings.

BERLIN OFFICIAL REPORT

CLAIMS PROGRESS IN ARGONNE AND FRENCH REPULSED IN WOEVIE

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—In the official communication issued today by the German army headquarters staff, the German report progress on both sides of the Argonne forest and in Flanders, and to have repulsed French attacks in the Woëvre region.

The text of the official statement follows:

"We have made progress in Flanders. To the east and in the west of the Argonne (in France) the enemy's artillery positions were attacked with good results. French attacks in the forest of Lorena and to the west of Pont-A-Mousson were repulsed."

"There is no change in the situation to the east of the Mazurian lake (East Prussia)."

"No news is at hand from southern Poland."

TO BUY CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO NEGOTIATING FOR THE PURCHASE OF 1,000,000 BUSHELS PER MONTH

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Greene has turned to Chicago for the wheat supply and is negotiating for the purchase of 1,000,000 bushels a month. It was learned today. A. B. Cooke, the American consul at Paris, Greene, through whom negotiations are being conducted, advised in a telegram that the purchasers will pay cash in advance.

WHIST CLUB TOURNAMENT

The third and last meet in the whist tournament between the members of the Circle Montclair of Lawrence and those of the City of Worcester. The winners of this city will take place in the rooms of the Lowell organization in Middle street on the second Wednesday in January.

SEBASTIAN PAYNE'S FUNERAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Funeral services for the late Sebastian Payne will be held Sunday at 11:30 a. m. in the hall of the house of representatives. No services have been held there since the death of N. W. Blinzer.

SAYS RUMANIA IS READY TO ENTER WAR

Minister Says "Any Nation Keeping Out of War Commits Moral, Political and Economic Suicide"

PARIS, Dec. 11.—"Any nation keeping out of the present struggle commits moral, political and economic suicide." Take Johnson, Rumanian minister of the interior, is thus quoted in a despatch published by the Matin. The quotation continues:

"The Rumanian nation, democratic and liberal in its culture, must not commit such a crime. The present war offers an unique opportunity for it to realize its program without endangering the independence and liberties of the kingdom."

M. T. I. CARNIVAL BISBEE INDICTED

Enjoyable Social Event Conducted by Temperance Workers

Associate hall was taxed to capacity last night by the members and friends of the M. T. I. Temperance Institute, who turned out in large numbers to witness the widdy advertised carnival night. The hall was attractively decorated for the occasion and every detail went off smoothly. The



WALTER T. POWERS
President of M. T. I.

general manager of the evening was President Walter T. Powers, and he was ably assisted by a large corps of members. A feature of the evening was a scenic program issued under the leadership of William H. Carter, containing an interesting history of the society and the pictures of several officers.

The dance order consisted of 29 numbers, and from the time dancing started up until midnight the floor was well patronized. The return to the old time gliding dances was very noticeable, and the old time quadrilles proved a treat indeed. Music's concert orchestra furnished the music for the dancing, and this in no small measure added to the enjoyment of the evening. Those having charge of the affair were as follows:

General manager, Walter T. Powers; assistant general manager, John E. O'Neill; floor director, Edward T. Draper; assistant floor director, John Patrick; chief aids, William H. Carter, Henry McLaughlin, Bernard A. Connors; treasurer, Frank J. Ewing; secretary, Joseph E. McVey; Chairman of every table, President Walter T. Powers.

BABY BURNED TO DEATH

WORCESTER INFANT THREW PAPER INTO STOVE—MRS. TOMMASIAN SEES FLAME, LUSHES HOME

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—Sarkis Tommasian, aged 1 month, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harriet Tommasian of 120 Central street, was burned to death yesterday when his mother left the house for a few minutes to visit a neighbor.

From the neighbor's house she saw a flash of flame in a window of her home and rushed back to find her baby on the floor with all his clothing burned off. The child was hurried to City hospital and died in a short time. It is supposed the baby thrust a paper into the stove through an open grate and that the flames were communicated to his clothing.

VETERAN ENGINEER DEAD

Eugene W. Darlow of Providence Operated Locomotives for More Than Fifty Years

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 11.—Eugene W. Darlow, for more than 50 years a railroad engineer, died yesterday at his home, 105 Jewett street. His last run was on the Providence-Worcester line. Mr. Darlow was born in Burdville, March 22, 1847, a son of George W. and Louisa Savory Darlow. In 1870 he married Ella G. Knight of Uxbridge, who died in 1904. In 1907 he married Jeora O. Walling of Burdville, who survives. A brother, Jerome A. Darlow of Cambridge, Mass., also survives.

He was a member of several Masonic fraternities. He will be buried at Uxbridge, Mass.

BISBEE INDICTED

Alleged That He Sold Liquor Containing Wood Alcohol

MIDDLEBURY, Vt., Dec. 11.—Four indictments charging manslaughter and two charging illegal selling of liquor were returned yesterday by a special grand jury against D. A. Bisbee, a Bristol purveyor of drugs.

Bisbee is alleged to have sold liquor containing wood alcohol which resulted in 13 deaths six weeks ago. He probably will be tried during the week of Dec. 21.

LEAD COUNTRY TO RUIN

MINISTER MADE CHARGE AGAINST MEMBERS OF CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES AT MADRID

MADRID, Dec. 10.—(Via Paris, Dec. 11.)—During a discussion of the budget in the chamber of deputies today, Francisco Bergamin, minister of instruction in upholding the appropriations for his department, expressed regret to see them opposed by those who lead the country to ruin.

Courte Romonesco, former member and minister of public instruction but now a deputy considering that the minister of instruction was referring to him declared that the chamber could not continue the debate while Senator Bertran remained in office. Amidst a great uproar the opposition members threatened to leave the chamber and Senator Bergamin then announced his resignation, whereupon the session was closed.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
A supper followed by an entertainment and dancing was held at St. John's Episcopal church last night, and the affair was very successful. The entertainment program was as follows: Piano solos by George Smith, readings by William Carr and vocal solos by Miss Evelyn Hogan and Mr. Marshall. Music for the dancing was furnished by the Myrtle orchestra, comprising Edwin McLaughlin, leader, Stanley Goggin, Clifford Anderson, Edward Davis and George Faulkner.

The women in charge of the supper were as follows: Mrs. L. Le Whiting, chairman; Mrs. James Bancroft, Mrs. A. R. Foster, Mrs. G. H. Walker, Mrs. E. E. Watson, Mrs. Rawling and Mrs. James Hogan.

AMERICA'S GREATEST DRUG STORES

SENSIBLE GIFTS

One receives so many gifts of a trashy nature that an article of real use seems of double value.
Every person appreciates a useful gift and your good sense is shown in the selection of an article of that nature.

PERFUMES	MIRRORS
Roger & Gallet.....25c to \$5.00	Shaving Mirrors.....49c to \$1.98
Hudnut's.....50c to \$5.00	Hand Mirrors.....49c to \$2.98
Harmony.....25c to \$2.50	Triplicate Mirrors.....\$2.49 to \$6.49
Piver's.....90c to \$3.80	Travelling Mirrors.....69c to \$1.29
Goly's.....\$1.15 to \$10.00	Bathroom Mirrors.....\$2.98 to \$5.29
Gode's French.....68c to \$25.00	Pocket Mirrors.....10c to 25c
Violet Dulce.....25c to \$1.50	"Vacu" Mirrors.....\$3.00
Hanson & Jenks.....25c to \$5.00	Standing Mirrors.....\$1.98

SAFETY RAZORS	MANICURE GOODS
Gillette.....\$5.00 to \$25.00	Buffers.....39c to \$1.50
Ever Ready.....\$1.00 to \$3.50	Cuticle Cutters.....75c to \$3.50
Gem Junior.....\$1.00	Manicure Scissors.....39c to \$1.98
Auto Strip.....\$5.00	Nail Files.....10c to 75c
Durham Domino.....\$1.00	Manicure Sets.....49c to \$25.00
Croscut.....\$1.50 to \$5.00	Nail Clips.....25c to 50c
Durham Derby.....\$2.50	Nail Polish.....9c to 75c
Star Safety.....\$1.00 to \$2.50	Emery Boards.....5c to 25c

KODAKS	RUBBER GOODS
Brownies.....\$1.00 to \$12.00	Monogram Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt., white.....89c
Vest Pocket Kodaks.....\$6.00 to \$22.50	Moneyback Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt., chocolate.....\$1.25
Premos.....\$4.50 to \$25.00	American Beauty Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt.....\$1.40
Brownie Enlarging.....\$1.75 to \$4.00	American Beauty Hot Water Bottle, 3-Qt.....\$1.69
Graflex Cameras.....\$40.00 to \$150.00	
Albums.....10c to \$5.00	
Metal Tripods.....\$1.25 to \$5.00	

AMERICA'S GREATEST DRUG STORES

67-69 MERRIMACK STREET

HOGANS NOT IN COURT

NO APPEARANCE ON RETURN DAY OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAMES OF HOGAN FAMILY

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Yesterday was the return day on the petition of members of the Hogan family to have their names changed to Homan, and although names to Gladys Maitles Homan, Louise no objection had been filed and the Maitles Homan, and Osborne Maitles judge in his discretion might in the Homan.

DESIGNS AS POLICE CHIEF

Henry W. Mason, 74 years old, of New Bedford, placed on Half Pay by City Council

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 11.—On the eve of the changing administration, Henry W. Mason, chief of police, resigned at a meeting of the city council last night and was pensioned on half pay, \$4 a week. Chief Mason is 74 years old and a Civil war veteran.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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Every wanted material—Hindo Lynx, Pomorie, Broadtail, Silky Zibelines, Arabian Lamb, Persiannas, Caracul, Astrachan, Chinchilla, Imported Tweeds, Diagonal Weaves, Broadcloths, Novelty Boucles, Fancy Mixtures and Tartan Plaids.

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Materials include broadcloths, French and men's wear serges, Gabardines, Diagonal Chevrols, stylish Crepe novelties, etc., all shades and sizes.

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Street dresses, afternoon dresses, dancing frocks. This wonderful lot of dresses embraces a very general variety of charming new models, fashioned in such modish materials as dainty chiffons, satins, crepe de chimes and splendid serges.

CHILDREN'S \$2.50 RAINCAPES

They come in navy and red—guaranteed waterproof. Marked

\$1.49

Make a fine Xmas gift.

LATEST PICTURES OF KAISER WILHELM, WHO HAS PNEUMONIA, AND HEIR, THE CROWN PRINCE



KAISER WILHELM and CROWN PRINCE FREDERICK WILLIAM

SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES

Attack of Austro-German Army in Poland Appears to Have Lost its Impetus

PETROGRAD (via London), Dec. 11.—The attack of the Austro-German army in Poland appears to have lost its impetus with the exception of General Mackensen's army which is unofficially reported between Lodz and Warsaw and only about 15 miles from the Polish capital. The other armies are advancing but little if any and the attempt from the south of Cracow seems en-

CHEER RUSSIAN EMPEROR

Enthusiastic Reception Upon His Arrival at Tiflis Relieves Apprehension

PETROGRAD, Dec. 11.—The arrival of the Russian emperor at Tiflis and the enthusiastic reception he has received regarding that section of the

country. His arrival at Tiflis is chronicled today.

The apprehension regarding the Caucasus was due to the fact that emissaries of the Turks and the Germans had started a propaganda in that region promising the Georgians the re-establishment of the old Georgian kingdom and enticing Mohammedan sympathies for Turkey. Nobody doubted the sentiment of the Armenians and the cultured Mohammedans and Georgians but many doubted the illiterate Georgians and Mohammedans who constitute three quarters of the population of the Caucasus. The emperor's trip and reception have now dispelled all fears.

AT ST. ANNE'S MISSION

OF NORTH AMERICA CONDUCTED ANNUAL FAIR IN NEW PARISH HOUSE LAST EVENING

The 27th annual fair of St. Anne's mission of North America was opened last evening in the recently remodeled parish house with a large attendance of church members and friends present. The fair will close this evening with an entertainment under the direction of the Sunday school of the German street M. E. church and all invitations point to an unprecedented success.

A prosperous business was reported at all the booths and tables, the large attendance taking advantage of the splendid opportunities to purchase useful and household articles. A two-cent comedy entitled "Deception's Web" was delightfully presented by the following cast:

Stinson Brown Charles Crumble
Ford Dunning Harold Tives
Samuel Holton Charles Bailey
Nicholas Dodge Frederic G. Brown
Augustus Rickley David Payne
Jackson Jackson Elmer Stevenson
Lary Brown Edith Mears
Phyllis Lee Eva Crumble
Margaret Sullivan Miss Sarah Jennings
First Detective Arthur Brown
Second Detective Fred Cooper
Teacher Frank Mills

Accompanist, Miss Elizabeth Mortimer.

Charles H. Bailey was chairman of the general committee.

The following were in charge of the different tables:

St. Elizabeth Guild table: Mrs. William H. Bridge, matron; Mrs. Albert Dawson, Mrs. Charles Bailey, Mrs. Harry Putney, Mrs. Damm.

Novelty table: Miss Sarah Jennings, matron; Miss Margaret McClelland, Miss Gladys Rogers, Miss Gladys Switzer, Miss Lancy Brown, Miss Stude Walker, Miss Lillian Brown, Miss Bertha Stott, Miss Eleanor Rogers, Miss Grace Switzer, Miss Marion Connell, Miss Evelyn Mears.

Claret Club table: Mrs. Mary H. Brown, matron; Miss Clara Wahn, Miss Florence Jennings, Miss Ruth Mears, Miss Mary Stange.

Circle Friendly Society table: Miss Elizabeth Wahn, matron; Miss Alice Miller; Miss Sarah Stott, Miss Annie Wolfenden.

Domestic table: Mrs. John W. Stott, matron; Mrs. George Hurst, Candy table: Mrs. Mary Satchell, matron; Mrs. Charles H. Bailey.

Barbec table: Miss Ethel Steiner, matron; Harry Jennings, Louis Stott, William Jennings, Robert Spencer.

Fish pond: Mrs. James Saxon, matron; Lester Harrington, Frank Tives, Herbert Tives, Leo Mansell, Walter Rogers, John W. Cooper, Fred Cooper.

Chalmers dish table: Mrs. Roger Harrington, matron; Miss Ella M. Whitehead.

Chambre club table: Mrs. Frank Mills, Mr. Frederic G. Brown, Mr. John W. Stott.

GIRL OF 14 A SUICIDE

ALBERTA HULTGREN THOUGHT INSANE FROM OVERSTUDY—BODY STILL IN KENNEBEC RIVER

AUGUSTA, Dec. 11.—Alberta Hultgren, aged 14 years, daughter of Albert Hultgren of this city, committed suicide yesterday by drowning in the Kennebec river.

The cause is supposed to have been insanity, brought about by overstudy and ill health. The body has not been recovered.

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Start about the filling of your lists today. Never a better stock of Christmas Goods in this section than you'll find here this year. And our broad guarantee of satisfaction makes your gift purchases here absolutely sure. Red Cross Stamps at the Stationery Department.

Gifts of Men's Wear

We've two departments devoted to the selling of Men's Wearables. Both offer big selections of what men "want most"—Neckties, Shirts, Mufflers, Underwear, Gloves, Stockings, House Coats, Bath Robes, Sweaters, etc.

Left Aisle East Section Basement Palmer St.

UMBRELLAS

No matter what price you wish to pay, "an Umbrella" is always a safe solution of the great problem. You choose here from a thousand and more—all styles of handles, all the reliable sort of coverings. The best values we've seen.

Merrimack St. Centre Tables

BOOKS

Everyone gives "some one" a book—some with friends fill their whole gift list with books. Easy to select at The Book Store. Newest Fiction, Books for Boys and Girls, Religious Works, Standard Authors, Beautiful Gift Books and hosts of Children's Books. All at lowest prices.

Palmer St. Centre Aisle, Left

DOLLS

The "one and only" gift for little girls. We're very proud of the Dollies we show this Christmas season. Hundreds for your approval, including about all the good styles that are made—undressed or dressed. The prices are about a third below regular.

Palmer Street Centre Aisle

COATS

At Sharply Reduced Prices

If you need a Coat or have thought of getting one for mother, wife or child, take advantage of these reduced prices.

Children's Coats

Sizes 6 to 14 years. Reduced from \$5.00. Reduced price \$3.98

Girls' Coats

Sizes 6 to 14 years. Reduced from \$7.50 and \$10.00. Reduced price \$5.00

Misses' Coats

In mixtures and plain colors, also a few plaid College Coats. Reduced from \$10.00. Reduced price \$5.00

CORDUROY COATS REDUCED

We have reduced all Corduroy Coats selling at \$18.50, \$22.50 and \$27.50 down to \$15. SPECIAL PRICE \$15.00

Arabian Lamb Coats, Pomoire Coats, Matelam Coats, Broad Tail Coats, Astrachan Coats,

Regular Prices \$20.00, \$25.00, \$30.00 and \$35.00

CLOAK DEPARTMENT



LADIES' COATS—\$12.50, \$15 and \$16.50 Coats Reduced to

\$7.50

About 75 Coats in this lot that have been sharply reduced for a quick clearance. Mixtures and plain colors. Not a coat but what is a bargain at the price. Coats of Boucle, Poplin, Astrachan, Diagonal Cheviot and Mixtures.



BUY A

New Hat

At Half Price

Latest Shapes of New Trimmed Hats are \$2.98 and \$3.98, instead of \$5.00 and \$7.00.

Our \$2.98 Hats have all been reduced to \$1.98

Untrimmed Hats that were 98c to \$3.49, are half price today.

Palmer St. Centre Aisle

FINAL CLEARANCE SALE

SHEETS

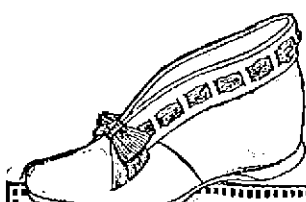
3 for \$1.00

Made of good heavy cotton and nearly all full size sheets. The imperfections consist of stains or slightly broken selvage, and can be very easily mended. Sheets in this lot worth 60c each.

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Palmer Street Centre Aisle

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You want warm foot covering, particularly the older people.

We invite you to call and see what we have in store for old and young in

Winter Footwear

Fleece lined Overshoes for men and women. Dolge's pure Wool Felt Shoes and Slippers. Gold Seal Rubbers.

Everything Needed in Warm Footwear Will Be Found Here

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2000 Heavy Satin

Pillow Covers

75c Quality, for

39c Each

A case of these attractive and much sought-for covers lately arrived. Seconds of Floral, Conventional and Japanese designs, in a great variety—all colors—in both square and oblong pillows. Usually sold at 75c.

Only 39c Each

Palmer Street Right Aisle

Underprice Basement

KIMONO FLANNEL—Just received from the mill, two cases of these nice kimono flannels, in remnants, good quality, in all new patterns, 12 1-2 value, 41 yard 10c

BED COMFORTERS—We are offering very good value in bed comforters, full size, filled with clean white cotton batting, covered with good silk and crepe. Special value at \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50

TURKISH TOWELS—Large size Turkish towels, bleached, heavy and very absorbent, 10c value, 41 each 13c

Ready-to-Wear Section. Basement

LADIES' SHIRT WAISTS—Ladies' white shirt waists, made in all the latest models and nicely trimmed, made of fine lawn, batiste and lingerie; each waist put in a holly box. Special value, 41 each 98c

NIGHT GOWNS—Ladies' night gowns, made of heavy outing flannel, in very neat stripes, only, each 50c

Men's Furnishing Dept. Basement

MEN'S COAT SWEATERS—Men's all wool coat sweaters, shaker knit, with or without collars, gray, red and blue, \$4.00 \$2.98

value, 41 each

BASEMENT

BOYS' COAT SWEATERS—Boys' sweaters, made of fine worsted yarn, with or without collars, oxford, red and brown, \$1.50 98c

value, 41 each

DARING ATTEMPT TO RAID DOVER HARBOR

British Batteries Pour Heavy Fire on Six German Submarines Off Naval Base

LONDON, Dec. 11, 12:22 a. m. Half a dozen German submarines made an attempt at 6:30 o'clock Thursday morning to enter the admiralty harbor, according to a Dover dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company, and for half an hour the batteries kept up a furious fusillade, firing at least 200 shots.

It is reported that two or three of the submarines were sunk, but no confirmation of this can be obtained. The attempt was made under cover of early morning darkness and during a heavy rainstorm. The first alarm, says the dispatch, was given by the firing of a naval gun, and soon all the batteries were in action.

The admiralty, to whom this dispatch was submitted, said that it had not received confirmation of the reported attack.

SCHOOL TEACHER

Wards Off Nervous Break Down. Allentown, Pa., Dec. 11.—I am a teacher in the public schools and I get into a very nervous run-down condition. I could not sleep and had no appetite. I was tired all the time. My sister asked me to try Vinol. I did so, and within a week my appetite improved and I could sleep all night and now I feel well and strong.—RUSA M. KELLER, Allentown, Pa.

We guarantee Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron tonic, for all weakened run-down conditions and for chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis. Linnet's Drug Store, Riker-James' Drug Store, Lowell, Mass.



The House Without a Cold Spot

ON chilly fall mornings when you feel the need of a little heat, don't start the furnace or stove. That's too much heat besides being a nuisance and an expense. Just light one of the handy

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Carry it wherever you need it—bedroom, bathroom, or sitting room. It lights instantly and warms any ordinary room in a few minutes.

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Some children catch one ailment after another, have colds after colds, while other children are pale or frail, if they catch colds easily, lack ambition or are backward in school, they need SCOTT'S EMULSION which is rich in the food elements to create good blood to strengthen their bodies and brains—SCOTT'S EMULSION is free from alcohol or habit-forming drugs.

CHILDREN RELISH IT. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

of good things for the meals throughout the week.

Every woman likes to be complimented on the fact that she wears a very small size shoe. This effect may be produced even by those who have not naturally small feet by careful buying of shoes. How this is accomplished is explained in "What the French Maid Said," which will appear in The Sun tomorrow.

If one will follow the directions given by the writer of "The Rabbit's Foot" tomorrow and be careful to protect the throat in this raw weather, they will avoid in great measure the danger of illness.

Tell the children little stories of the proper kind and you will instruct as well as please them. The "Sleepytime Tales" in The Sun are written especially for the little ones. Read "Grandpa's Lesson" to them tomorrow.

TRUCK BURNED

Big Laundry Truck Was Badly Damaged by Fire—Other Fires

The laundry truck owned by George Russell caught fire in some manner near in tomorrow's Sun, brief and pointed little paragraphs that are highly entertaining.

For the housewife Mrs. Ray's menu will have a particular interest for their help in providing a pleasing variety

A dangerous rubbish fire broke out just before eight o'clock last night in the basement of the garage on Church street. The fire department was telephoned for and extinguished the blaze before any serious damage had been done to the premises.

A fire also broke out in an unoccupied tenement at 73 Summer street, Box 214 was sent in shortly after midnight. Workmen had been in the empty house during the day and carelessness in leaving matches probably caused the fire. Little damage was done by the flames.

AT FIRST UNIVERSALIST

Rev. Caleb E. Fisher, D. D., began his 20th year as pastor of the First Universalist church last evening, when the annual supper and entertainment was held in the church vestry. The fact that this annual event is always a great success and also the news that Rev. Mr. Fisher was beginning his 20th year as head of the church attracted a large number of the congregation.

Early in the evening a banquet was served with music furnished by Berles orchestra. This was followed by songs by Harry Newham, after which Dr. William M. Jones, president of the New York club, officiated as toastmaster.

The first speaker was Dr. A. S. Hood, head of the Sunday school. He stated that 87 years ago 39 men met and formed the First Universalist church, and referred to its good standing, in every respect, and to the man of exceptional ability who had been enrolled among its pastores. He paid a tribute to the excellent work of the United Workers of the church, of the Study club, and the Sunday school, concluding also the fine work of the choir and the organist.

Dr. Charles Conklin of Brooklyn came next. His remarks were made in his characteristic witty and pleasing vein, and were well received with good applause. He pleaded for increased earnestness and zeal in our appreciation of the duty of public worship which makes us better men and better women.

The other speakers were Rev. Dr. H. B. Sykes of Malden, Rev. C. A. Landon of the Kirk Street Congregational church, Rev. George W. King of St. Paul's Methodist church, Rev. N. E. Matthews of the Carlton Street M. E. church, Rev. C. T. Billings of the First Unitarian church, Rev. J. M. Craig of the Presbyterian church, and Rev. C. J. Fisher, D. D., of the Universalist church.

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CHRISTMAS SALE

The Christmas sale of the Women's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. closed last evening under the most auspicious conditions. The attendance was large and the sales made at the various tables were many. During the evening a picnic entitled "Mrs. Oak-

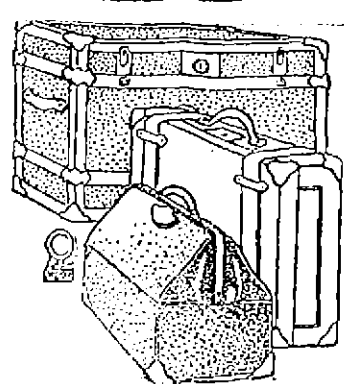
"Personally Conducted" Trips to California Combine Comfort and Economy

Of course you have planned to take a California trip sometime, but possibly you have been waiting until you thought you could better afford it. It is in the case, I have some good news for you.

Our Personally Conducted Parties to California are especially planned to meet just such requirements. Our packages travel on extra low fare tickets and have comfortable quarters in clean and attractive Pullman Tourist sleeping cars. Your pleasure is looked after all the way by a chosen representative of the "Burlington Route" whose first duty is to relieve you of care and detail, make you feel "at home" and point out and explain each of the thousands of points of interest along the way.

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TO ABOLISH CROSSING

Winchester Commission Files its Report at Clerk of Courts at East Cambridge

WINCHESTER, Dec. 11.—The commission, consisting of George W. Wignall of Franklin, George E. Swain of Boston and Arthur Lord of Plymouth, appointed by the superior court of Middlesex county Jan. 2, 1906, to consider the abolition of the grade crossing in Winchester Center, filed its report yesterday in the office of the clerk of courts at East Cambridge.

The commission states that to abolish the crossing by a change of grade of the railroad or ways the cost would be so great that it would report against abolition, but by discontinuing the ways within the railroad location and the substitution of a new way and subway, the expense will be consistent with the finding that the security and convenience of the public require the abolition.

The commission describes the new way it offers in return for closing the present crossing. This would be a 60-foot street from Church street, running between the Waterfield building and the residence of Dr. Clarence J. Allen, crossing the railroad tracks south of the station, across the northern end of Manchester field and descending to the Mystic Valley parkway near the Unitarian church on a 5 per cent grade.

The new way is to be carried over the tracks on a through plane under bridge, with a clear span of 16 feet, having steel girders, wooden stringers and brick-paved roadway on a waterproofed plank floor. The sidewalks are to be carried outside the girders on brackets. Headroom of 18 feet is provided for under the bridge. Provision is made for a 10 foot arch bridge over the

Levi's Telephone" was given, with the following taking part: Mrs. Oakley, Lillian May Smith, Mrs. Stacey, Florence Grant, Florence J. Clark, Mrs. J. Fletcher, "Emma," the maid, Florence A. Chamberlain, "Jink Song," Bernice Stanley.

The sales tables were headed by the following women:

Children's table: Mrs. A. E. French and Mrs. E. H. Hallett, chairmen.

Men's table: Mrs. Mary E. Woodman and Mrs. D. E. Yarnell, chairmen.

Twenty-five cent table: Mrs. Albert E. Swapp and Mrs. I. B. Lamson, chairmen.

Five cent table: Mrs. J. A. Ayer and Mrs. J. B. Graham, chairmen.

Food table: Mrs. L. A. Black and Mrs. Maude E. Black, chairmen.

Fancy table: Mrs. G. W. Stewart, chairman.

MOTHER PAYS THE FINE

HOWARD MCGUIGOR OF WATERBURY ACCUSED OF HAVING REVOLVER—LAURENCE CASE FILED

GREENFIELD, Dec. 11.—In district court yesterday morning Howard McGuigor, aged 47, of Waterbury, Conn., was convicted of having a revolver on his person. His mother paid a fine of \$50 which was imposed. McGuigor and J. J. Murphy, aged 15, also of Waterbury, were charged with the larceny of \$7 from Frederick Spencer of Shelburne Falls. They pleaded nolo contendere, were found guilty and the case was filed.

COOPER AT WORK IN YARD

Man Who Escaped Electric Chair Says He is Satisfied With His Position in State Prison

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Daniel J. Cooper, who escaped the electric chair by a commutation of his sentence of imprisonment for life in state prison, was put to work yesterday in the prison yard. In a talk he had with the warden he expressed himself as satisfied with work in the yard, and said that he would faithfully live up to the rules of the prison.

on the site of the present building. The Boston & Maine railroad is designated as the party to do the work and the expense is to be divided as follows: The railroad, 65 per cent; the street railway, 10 per cent; the commonwealth, 15 per cent, and the town 10 per cent.

Town Counsel Charles F. Dutch said: "The law entitles the town to a fair equivalent and adequate substitute for present facilities. The commission's plan, I submit, does not give this. It walls up the crossing and substitutes a new way only 60 feet wide. Such a way is entirely too narrow. The present crossing is 100 feet wide on the east side and 225 feet on the west. It delays travel by electric cars and vehicles from one side of the town to the other. Fire apparatus going to North Main street must travel over one-fourth of a mile farther, with four bad turns. These turns and curves are dangerous and a 5 per cent grade is an unjust burden on horses that must travel over it. It blocks access to Manchester field from the center of the town.

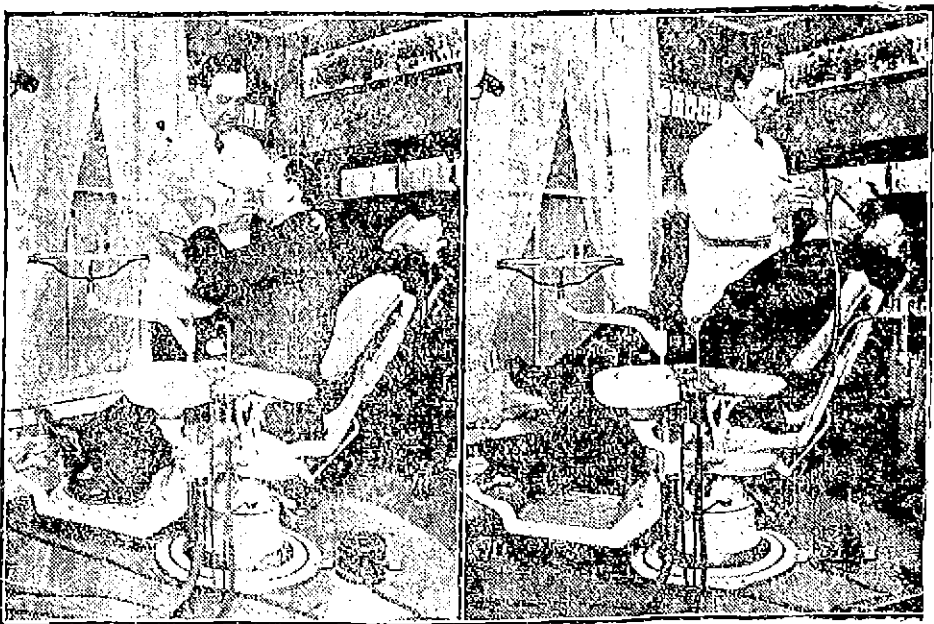
The town plan of depressing the tracks four feet and raising the streets separates the grades in a normal way and gives every party a fair and adequate substitute for present facilities. The expense is not great, as it was estimated by engineers at from \$300,000 to \$325,000, and the railroad's engineers estimate the cost to be about \$100,000. On a comparison of the cost of the work at Belmont and Newton on a basis of either population or valuation, this cost is not excessive.

"Although the B. & M. R. has officially urged the adoption of the commission's plan, its chief engineer, Mr. Corbitt, has stated that such a plan 'was going round Robin Hood's barn,' was not the proper way to eliminate the crossing and that the town plan was the better and would do for all time. He admitted the feasibility of lowering the railroad tracks four feet."

"Mr. McDonald, when president of the road, characterized the commission's plan as a makeshift. It is worse. It walls up ancient turnpikes, officially laid out in 1848 and 1860, that have been widened and straightened again and again to meet growing demands and diverts them by a snaky 60-foot way."

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Take a good look at these pictures—they tell the story of TWO KINDS OF DENTISTRY. The left hand picture is of a man being treated in the old, harsh method employed to this day by many dentists. Note the rigid position of the patient as he sits upright, gripping the doctor's arm, bracing his back, and making his own pain necessarily greater. Every nerve in his body is on edge—every muscle tense—he is indeed the personification of fear and pain. THIS IS DENTISTRY AS IT DO NOT DO IT.

Now turn to the picture on your right. Here you see restfulness and relaxation; a patient that feels no pain, yet is in control of every other sense. He can talk and hear and watch the doctor unhindered, do his very best work. This is an example of DENTISTRY AS I DO PRACTICE IT.

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Now that you have seen the two pictures and know the story that they tell, it is up to you to CHOOSE if you have dental work to be done. Will you have pain and harsh treatment or will you have "Nap-a-Minut" and no pain at all? There is little doubt about your answer and when you come here you will find the greatest service and value-giving dental offices in New England.

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TO AVOID EXTRA SESSION

Senate Democrats to Have Caucus—Steering Committee Confers on a Program

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Democrats of the senate will meet in caucus Saturday afternoon to frame a legislative program for this session of congress, with a view to assuring completion of necessary legislation by March 4 in order to avert the necessity for an extra session to meet in the fifth congress.

CAPITALIZATION CONTROL

This Among the Recommendations of the Interstate Commerce Commission's Report

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—In its annual report to congress yesterday the interstate commerce commission makes three principal recommendations. One is to control railway capitalization; compulsory use of steel cars; passenger trains and prohibition of the use of wooden cars between or ahead of steel ones; definite penalties for violations of the hours of service act; laws to make explicit and certain the authority of the commission to examine all documents and records of railroads to fix definitely one period—preferably six years—in which legal actions may be started relating to transportation charges.

INQUIRY FROM WILSON

Colorado Governor Asked if Conditions Permit Removal of the Federal Troops

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President Wilson last night telegraphed to Gov. Ammons of Colorado asking whether it would be safe to withdraw the federal troops from the strike districts. If Gov. Ammons replies that the state is ready to assume control of the situation the president will withdraw the troops immediately.

The president acted following a conference with Senator Thomas of Colorado, and after a final word had been received from the United Mine Workers of America that the coal miners' strike had been called off.

Mr. Wilson is anxious to withdraw the troops, but wants formal assurances that the state will be able to control the situation. Sec. of War Garrison has completed preparations for withdrawing the troops as soon as word comes from the White House. Senator Shafroth of Colorado said last night that he understood Gov. Ammons desired to have the federal troops withdrawn gradually, rather than all at once, so that the effect on the miners might be observed. The president received a request several days ago from Gov. Ammons that the troops be withdrawn from some of the districts, but took no action on the request. He is believed to prefer that all of the troops be withdrawn at the same time.

HEARING RESUMED
DENVER, Col., Dec. 11.—It was expected that John Lawson, executive board member for Colorado of the United Mine Workers of America, would be called at today's session of the hearing of the federal commission on industrial relations.

An incident of yesterday which was expected to figure in the proceedings

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Couch Covers.....\$1.95 to \$5
Rope Portieres.....\$2.75 to \$8
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China Vases.....\$2 to \$5
China Dinner Sets.....\$12 to \$50
Tea Sets.....\$5 to \$10
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Children's Desk and Chairs.....\$2.95
Boys' Roll Top Desks.....\$10.00

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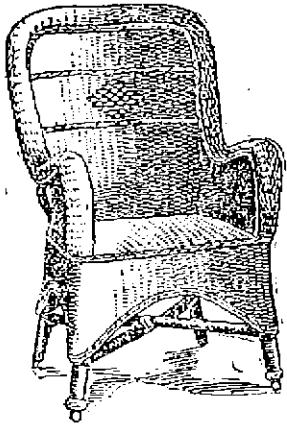
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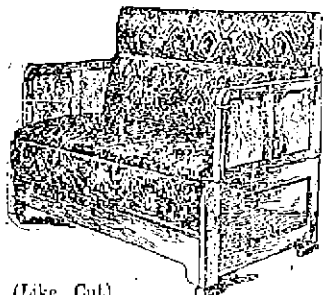
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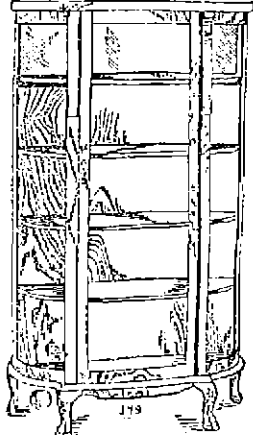
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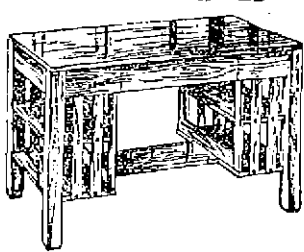
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Covered in tapestry, leather or silk plush.....\$30 to \$45
This makes a complete bed when opened.

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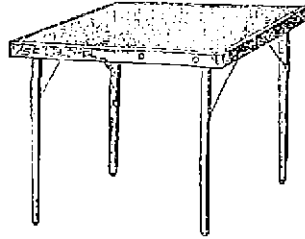
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Fully quartered, bent ends, swell front.....\$25
Others from \$15.00 to \$50.00

LIBRARY TABLES



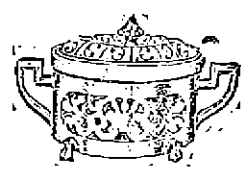
42 in. Fumed Oak Tables, all quartered, oak, finished fumed or golden.....\$15

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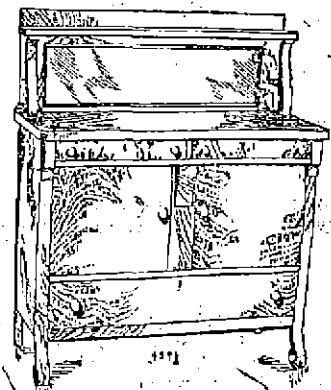
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24 in. square, felt top, brass corners, (folding).....\$1.95

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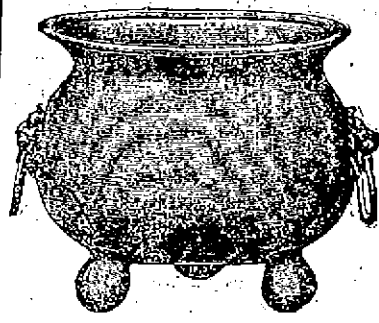
Casseroles.....50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25
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ULTIMATUM TO MEXICO

United States Demands That Border Firing Cease—Notes to Carranza and Gutierrez

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The United States has served formal notice today to Gen. Carranza at Vera Cruz and Gen. Carranza at Mexico City, left here promptly prevent their troops from firing across the American boundary, and such force will be employed by this government as may be necessary to protect American territory.

In the most emphatic and threatening expression from the diplomatic correspondence with Gen. Huerta which preceded the occupation of Vera Cruz, the identical warnings were sent to the two chieftains of the different factions at Naco, Sonora, from the Arizona town of the same name, that firing across the international line must cease.

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lives through the employment of force. The American government made it clear yesterday that it intended to use force, not for aggression, but only for defense, and had no idea of invading Mexican territory or interfering with the right of the Mexican people to settle their own disputes, or violating Mexican sovereignty in any way.

No time limit was set within which the Mexican factions must comply with the demands, but a sufficient time will be allowed for both Carranza and Gutierrez to communicate fully to Gen. Huerta and Gen. Maytorena, respectively, the seriousness of the situation.

In the meantime, Brig.-Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, lately named assistant chief of staff of the United States army, is in personal charge of the situation at the foot and mouth of the Colorado river, having a range of five or six miles and 11 troops of cavalry.

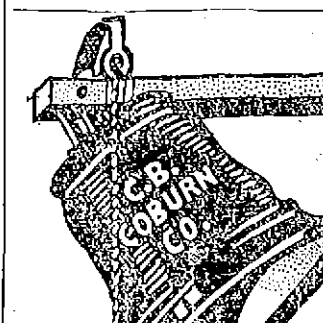
WILL SLAUGHTER CATTLE

A herd of cattle, 37 in all, the property of George P. Heland of Braut, will be slaughtered because of the foot and mouth disease. The work of digging two trenches for the burial of the cattle was completed yesterday afternoon.

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Ash Can Trucks.....\$1.50

ternoon. In addition to the cattle, 200 hens, 25 pigs, several calves and a number of household pets will also be killed. The date for the slaughter has not yet been set by the bureau of animal industry. Mr. Heland is now awaiting a visit from the state appraisers, who are reported to be working in the western part of the state. Following an appraisal, the animals will be killed. One of the trenches dug yesterday is 65 feet in length and the other is 20 feet in length.



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UNITED WORKMEN
A whist party was held by the Ancient Order of United Workmen last evening in the Odd Fellows building preceded by a business meeting, at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
Master workman, Owen Muldoon; foreman, J. H. D. Toy; overseer, John J. H. D. Toy; recorder, Hugh McQuade; financier, A. W. David; treasurer, Isaac Tinker; guide, William Tyrrell; inside watchman, Fred Humphries; outside watchman, Timothy Buckley; delegates to the grand lodge, James S. Doherty, F. G. Humphries and William Tyrrell; alternates, Alfred Watson, William Bradley and William Gigg.

The Lowell friends of Rev. James P. E. O'Connell, chancellor of the archdiocese, will be pleased to hear of his elevation to the dignity of monsignor by His Holiness Pope Benedict XV.

Mr. O'Connell is a native of Lowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew O'Connell of Fay street.

Mr. O'Connell is a boy graduated from the Butler school in this city, then from the high school and later from Holy Angels college, Buffalo. He completed his studies at the American college at Rome and was ordained at the Sacred Heart church by Cardinal O'Connell, who was then bishop of Portland, Me. When Bishop O'Connell became archbishop of Boston he appointed his nephew, Rev. Fr. O'Connell, to be his private secretary.

In this position he showed great executive ability in attending to the enormous work of the diocese, and in harmonizing and promoting the interests of the church. His talent for administration soon brought him promotion to the office of chancellor of the diocese in which his work is praised by all with whom he comes in contact. Mr. O'Connell, of course, is in constant communication with the cardinal and has the benefit of the advice and direction of His Eminence in all matters of importance.

The clergy of the diocese as well as the people of Lowell who have known

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AS TO TRUST FUNDS

Discussions of trust fund disappearance at the present time may savor somewhat of the locked door policy after the horse has been stolen, but nevertheless there are phases of the question as it has been revealed locally which must be met courageously and constructively if this city is to benefit by such funds in the time to come. Though the official activity surrounding the subject dwells mostly on the need for replacing the vanished amounts, their disappearance should neither be forgotten nor ignored until it is fully understood by the public and until there is absolute certainty that, when restored, these will be devoted to their legal and specified original purposes without danger of outside or inside tampering.

It does not explain the local disappearance of trust funds, left for the benefit of our people by deceased citizens of Lowell, to allege that they have been merged in the general treasury and expended for general civic purposes. Other cities have done such things and Lowell, in the past, has made no apology for doing them, but it is contrary to the spirit of the law and to honest government. Those who, in the goodness of their hearts, left legacies to their city in order that some group of its citizens should profit thereby in the time to come scarcely realized that the men selected to administer our public affairs would ignore the terms of the bequest and use these moneys for other purposes. It may never have been intended that the misappropriation should be more than temporary but the mis-use of trust funds was wholly wrong, without anything to vindicate it. Whether the city be financially sound or bankrupt, trust funds are trust funds and must be used for their specific purposes.

All cities are benefited more or less by the beneficence of departed citizens who, in a high sense of loyalty, humanitarianism and civic pride, leave lasting monuments of their generosity in some monetary bequest that will reflect glory on their name and benefit some group of people. When such a bequest is made, a city should respect the terms of the gift out of principle and also as an encouragement to our future citizens to leave such a memorial. What encouragement is there for any Lowell man to leave a sum of money to the Lowell public after the present revelation? The Carney medal fund of \$200, the Thomas Nesmith funds of \$1000 and \$25,000, and the Jonathan Tyler fund of \$10,000 should never have been touched for any purpose other than that specified in the documents which turned them over to the city. Were it not for a prompt public protest we might see the same state of affairs in regard to the Davis fund and the cemetery fund. For some years past the city library has been compelled to draw from the Davis fund for the purchase of books, though this is contrary to the terms of the gift. Now that the mayor is about to suggest borrowing to restore the vanished funds, it is high time that some provision should be made whereby, for the future, trust funds left to the citizens of Lowell will be safe from the misjudgment of their official custodian or the tampering of municipal councils. No body of citizens will urge this more strongly than the heirs of those whose bequests were so strangely and unjustifiably juggled, without satisfactory explanation.

The law enacted last year to compel the restoration of trust funds merged in the general treasury will safeguard these funds for the future, and the public may take heart. Nevertheless an explanation is due to Lowell citizens as to how our trust funds disappeared. We do not remember that they were specifically voted to any definite purpose by any city council of the last few years, or even under the old charter. Undoubtedly the city treasurer will be able to account satisfactorily for their disappearance and how it came about, and he should not delay long in doing so. The Lowell public is more than usually interested in the many phases of the situation.

THE KAISER'S ILLNESS

Although since the war began, the merest rumors of the illness of one or other of the rulers or leaders in the war have been magnified into special official messages, there is no longer any doubt of the serious illness of the Kaiser, brought about undoubtedly by his activity in the scenes of war and by the nervous strain attendant thereon. The world does not wish that the Kaiser should be decided one way or the other by the death of any of the great principals, but nevertheless speculation is rife as to what effect the possible death of the German emperor would have on the future of his armies.

According to revelations of German preparedness for war and high efficiency, it may be that even the elimination of the Kaiser would mean no departure from the military principles followed by the German generals up to the present. Still, the influence of the ruler has been undoubted as being the determining factor at critical times, and as the Kaiser is known to be an excellent strategist, his death would throw a deciding force on the shoulders of someone else. This would naturally be the crown prince, though here again it is doubtful if his heir would run counter to the desires of seasoned generals. He, too, is known to be a strong militarist but is generally credited with such enthusiasm occasionally. At the same time there are not wanting Germans who say that the German armies would show even greater brilliancy under the leadership of the crown prince, who is magnetic and popular in the army.

Quite apart from the personality of the sick ruler whose history cannot well figure—it seems that any change in government or government departments would be injurious to Germany at this time when all her energies are bent to one definite end. The probability is that such a change will not take place, however, unless the illness of the Kaiser is unusually serious, for he is a man of a most youthful vigor and is generally believed to have an iron nerve. Then physically and mentally he has sometimes been compared to our own Roosevelt.

THE EDISON FIRE

Not for a long time has a fire in this country attracted more attention than the fire of Wednesday night in the great manufacturing plant of the world's greatest inventor, Thomas A. Edison. The loss of about \$7,000,000 would not be as great as it appears, but there are other aspects of the case that arouse unusual interest. The one redeeming feature of the fire was the saving of the laboratory building containing the most valuable machinery

and the plans and patents of the inventor. Another redeeming feature was the spirit shown by Mr. Edison, who said, immediately after the fire: "I'll start all over again tomorrow." The immense group of buildings destroyed represented the growth of the Edison inventions since his humble beginning, but no one familiar with his personality and the facts of his eventful life doubts that he will begin all over again and leave even a more noble monument to his genius. Anything affecting Edison's efforts science the world over and thousands will wish him a speedy recovery from the temporary obstacle to his inventive genius.

A WAR PRAYER

Among the unpublished manuscripts of Mark Twain has been found a war prayer, suggested by the sight of a regiment drawn up in front of a church while a prayer was offered for the victory of their arms. Following is the prayer, as he interpreted it:

"O Lord, we go forth to smite the foe. Help us to tear their soldiers to bloody shreds with our shells; help us to cover the smiling fields with the pale forms of their patriot dead; help us to lay waste their humble homes with a hurricane of fire; help us to smite the hearts of their ungodly wives with the unbearable grief of their unfaithful soldier-boys. For our sakes, who alone live, Lord, blast their steps, water their way with their tears."

Twain never published the prayer because he was told by his admirers that it was tinged with the satirical. In view of the world situation, going on at the present time, the prayers by all the powers and appeals to God for the defeat of their enemies, and the changed views of a great part of mankind as to what constitutes war, the prayer will seem not only timely but cruelly true as reflecting the real spirit of such an appeal.

BRITISH NAVAL VICTORY

England has taken strong revenge for the German victories off the Chilean coast on November 1, by destroying three German cruisers and practically clearing the seas of that part of the world of opposition to the allies. Incidentally, both the trade of the allies and neutral countries will be reassured by the result, which has cost Germany 2,500 men, besides the naval equipment. It was a foregone conclusion that sooner or later the German squadron on the coast of South America would meet its doom, for since the destruction of the British cruisers Good Hope and Monmouth, Japan and England were on the search for the ships that have now paid the toll near the Falkland Islands. Two of the German cruisers escaped, but they cannot long evade the fate of the

others. In all, there are still five German cruisers in the waters of that region and as these are being sought by a far greater number of British and Japanese vessels, Germany must be ready to offer another sacrifice before long.

DUTY OF BUSINESS

The president was very straightforward in that part of his recent address which stated that the business program of the administration is now practically complete and that there is no honest business has nothing to fear. Whatever one may think of the tariff, the currency and the anti-trust measures, they were really intended to advance the interests of legitimate industry, and though their passage may have produced some temporary confusion the laws have now been put on a permanent basis and it remains for business to readjust itself honestly to new conditions. The president has gone half way and more than half way in his courageous and honorable assurance, and business ought to respond in kind by honestly striving to meet the terms of the new law without needless fears. When the heat of partisan controversies are past, President Wilson may look up as a real friend to American business and as a conservator of its best aspects.

Running all through President Wilson's suggestions as to national defense was the assertion that we will do very well to adhere to our ancient policies in such things. These who differ with him say that changed con-

ditions necessitate greater precautions. The result of the war will demonstrate in part which view is correct. All will agree that we must not deteriorate, whatever we may do to advance in navy and army efficiency.

A warning has been sent to Mexico that if their people persist in shooting across the Arizona frontier into American territory, Americans will shoot back. America has been altogether too patient, but evidently we have reached the limit. Any affront to America or to Americans must be dealt with in future with the consciousness of force to back up our demands.

Just a suggestion: Holly is the traditional Christmas decoration, but it does not grow in this climate and what we receive is rather dry and with few berries, why not use our own pine boughs, mistletoe? They are as beautiful in their own way and they look more honest than the dried-up holly.

President Wilson's views on the merchant marine and Governor Walsh's views on our labor laws have points in common. Both are extraordinary measures, but only until the critical time is past. Extraordinary occasions call for extraordinary measures.

As usual we are hearing the usual post-election whippers, "Yes, but."

Can we trust them with trust funds?

SEEN AND HEARD

A bachelor who says he needs a rest cure is a married man's idea of a well-earned bar.

When a man spends a lot of time looking disheveled he forgets that he looks and acts like a butter in a cheap play.

THE RIGHT KIND

Little Bobby Heaton went with his mother to buy a pair of knickerbockers. When he had looked at all the varieties in the store, he was still dissatisfied.

"I want that pair in the window," he protested.

"These are just exactly like them," assured the clerk, but if you want that particular pair I'll get them for you."

And he produced them, much to Tommy's satisfaction. They bore a sign which read, "These knickerbockers cannot be beat."—Life.

OVERDOING IT

Mr. B. who was dining out, had done lavish justice to the good things before him. By way of a graceful apology he remarked with a beaming smile directed toward his hostess: "I've always heard, madam, that the highest compliment one can pay the housekeeper is to eat heartily. You observe that I have been exceedingly polite."

"Thank you Mr. B.," smiled back the hostess. "Indeed I think that you have carried politeness to the point of satiety."—N. Y. Evening Post.

A THIEF'S HARD LUCK

If this isn't a true story blame it on the letter carrier who told it to me. He said a farmer told him that he and farmers are supposed to be honest even though it sometimes happens that the punn is the best case. But this is a Dracul farmer and a Dracul case was never known to water his furrow. Anyway, this farmer was more interested in his house than in his field. He had some of the best chickens that he had ever had. They were plump and intelligent, sociable and well-behaved. They had just one weakness. They trusted strangers. Just because their owner was a good, just man, they thought everybody was good. One night a stranger entered their house, their coop, and they whistled softly to him. He placed his hands on their heads and mistaking them for a soft caress, he purred. "Hens can purr if they want to." At last he had arrived at the door of the coop. The Dracul farmer hastened out to the coop to say "good morning" to his flock. He found some of them in the yard and he wondered how they got out and why they came out. Then he visited the coop and found it empty. "What! They had slipped upon him that hen-thief had stolen his coop during the night. He was swearing and was about to say something terrible when his first eye rested on something that had all the earmarks of a pocketbook. It was on the floor and he picked it up. He opened it and lo and behold it contained \$30. Then his face beamed. His eyes widened with gladness. He knew that so that the mislaid was visible to the naked eye through his sweater, coat and sheep-skin jacket he wondered who the thief could be who would exchange 50 hens for twenty hens. Then he had another thought. The second hen was a good one. It told him that the man who took the hens didn't intend to leave the pocketbook. But he had the money and he had the hens. There was nothing for him to do but to wait developments. A neighbor of his had lost 50 hens a few nights before and he went over to see him and find if the thief had left a pocketbook in the coop. He didn't want to ask the question right straight out. He had to beat about the bush. "What?" he said to the other farmer, "what do these folks who steal hens want to leave their wallets behind?" "What's the good of talking about things that never happen?" said the second farmer, but then the man who had the 50 hens in his pocket was satisfied that there wasn't any phylloxera playing the role of hen-thief. Of course the farmer wasn't worrying, but he was just anxious to know who had "mysteriously" exchanged his pocketbook containing \$30 for a few hens. "Isn't it, how one will always think of somebody?" The farmer thought of somebody and that somebody called that same day and asked the farmer if he had any hens for sale. The farmer said he had a few left and invited him to the coop. "Now," he said to himself, "I will find out if my suspicions were true to me." As they entered the coop the farmer turned and said: "Here they are, and they're nice ones, too." The prospective buyer didn't hear what the farmer said. He was searching the Dracul with eager eyes. "What! The 50 course, was on and dry! The 100 beauty is not here. I removed

her for safe keeping." The prospective purchaser was about to speak but changed his mind. It dawned upon him that discretion is sometimes the better part of valor and he made a get-away that was anything but graceful. Now the farmer knows who stole his hens and who lost a pocketbook. He knows, too, who is going to keep the pocketbook and who can keep the hens.

GRAVES OF ESCIROL
I have not entered in; I fear to go. Think is my tower, and I am mighty. But I can see the bar, and well I know

I see visions of its vineyards rise.—The Century.

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This collar on the beer is much too high.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

I have not entered in; I must admit a little while at least, to keep my voice.—

I will not "savage my throat, but suffer through the devil whippers."—The

I have not entered in; I fear the trip that comes to those of us who cross the land.

The outward journey's short—a simple trip. But, O, the voyage back is very far.—Johnstown Democrat.

I have not entered in, the bunch is there! And they are buying rounds, in turn about.

I've just the price of one, and street car fare. And if I entered in I would be out.—Houston Post.

I have not entered in, not on your life! I reached the door, then turned and ran away.

I suddenly remembered that my wife, my chief spouse is cleaning house today.—Springfield Union.

I have not entered in, for at the bar. Are half a dozen lightwads smiling wide—

All tight and thirsty friends—the gate's ajar. But you can bet I'm glad I'm safe outside.—

ENVY
About this time of year, I think, I envy men with money.

Not that I thirst for finer drink, or hunger after honey.

Not that I want more clothes to wear, or more cigars to smoke.

Such things don't breed a single care for me when I am broke.

But when it's Christmas time again, with all the toys on view, I think, if I had money then, of what I'd like to do.

Oh, I can pass a costly vest without a single sigh.

An' diamond shirt studs for my breast I never want to buy.

I'll eat my fill of simple fare, an' count my dinner fine.

An' not begrudge the pillowcase his phony or his who!

But when I range a toy shop gay, full many a pang it brings.

To think that I must run away from all the finest things.

I want the finest railroad train, the doll with human hair.

The toothbox with a real plane, the biggest teddy bear.

The tricycle with rubber tires, the engine run with steam.

Because I know a boy's desires, I know how children dream.

And then I envy him who comes, with wallet out of shape.

And buys the most expensive drums, while I must pluck and scrape.

About this time of year I think I envy men with money.

If I could hear the ducks click my skies would all be sunny.

I would by poor the whole year through and never give a sigh.

But now with all the toys on view, I want the power to buy.

I want to load them up with toys, not pass one thing I see.

At Christmas time among the toys a splendid life I would be.

—Edward A. Guest in the Detroit Free Press.

ADMIRAL VON SPEE AND ADMIRAL STURDEE WHO VANQUISHED HIM



After the British squadron, in command of Vice Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee, chief of the British war staff, engaged a German squadron under Admiral Count von Spee off the Falkland Islands in the south Atlantic, and sank the armored cruisers Scharnhorst and Gneisenau and the protected cruiser Leipzig, the English ships started to

round up the light cruisers Dresden and Nürnberg, the two other vessels which composed the German squadron and which made off during the fight. Admiral Sturdee's fleet will also try to locate and sink the German raider Karlsruhe, which has been circulating the late Emperor. It was Admiral von Spee's fleet that sank the English cruisers Good Hope and Monmouth off Chile on Nov. 1. Vice Admiral Sir Frederick Charles Doveton Sturdee is a veteran of the Egyptian campaign of 1882 and has been in the British navy since 1871. Admiral Count von Spee, who is reported to have been lost with his flagship, the Scharnhorst, has been in the German navy since 1873.

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MALIGNANT DIPHTHERIA
DEATH OF GRACE K. SAWIN, 15, FOURTH IN PRESENT EPIDEMIC OF DISEASE IN LOWELL
LOWELL, Dec. 11.—Grace K. Sawin, aged 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Sawin, 1144 Street, died yesterday of malignant diphtheria after an illness of 48 hours. This is the fourth death in the present epidemic. She was a freshman at the high school.

STUMBLER, LAMP EXPLODES
Mrs. Richard Harding Escapes Safety With Infant In Nursery, But House Is Practically Destroyed
BEVERLY, Dec. 11.—While going up the stairs of her home, 22 Walnut ave-

Public Requests of \$1000
Charitable Societies and Masonic Lodge
Benefit Taster Will of Daniel M. Leavitt of Portsmouth
PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 11.—By the death of Mrs. Mary E. Leavitt the following public bequests made by her husband, Daniel E. Leavitt, who died in 1902, became available.
Chase Home for Children, \$1000; Howard Benevolent Society, \$1000; Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, \$100; St. John's Veto, A. F. & A. M., \$100.

BOMB ATTACK BY BOYS

MISSILE DROPS IN NEUTRAL TERRITORY AND TWO OTIS, ME. LAOS MUST PAY INDEMNITY

OTIS, Me., Dec. 11.—Elmer Gabb and Clarence Soper will be \$3.35 shy on their Christmas money, for that is what they will have to pay for indemnity in their war operations resulting in damage to the schoolhouse in District No. 7.

Some of the people thought that they ought to be punished more, but Squire Hopkins said that Elmer's father was one of the best soldiers that went to the front in the 2d Maine regiment and the grandfather of Clarence fought in the Mexican war, so that the boys came honestly by their military spirit. Besides, the greatest ordinance experts in the world have made miscalculations.

The boys had read a lot about bombing in the war in Europe and rigged up a bomb made of a tomato can, loaded with powder and bits of old iron for shrapnel, and tied it to a big box kite. They contrived an ingenious trigger arrangement, which would release the bomb by a sudden jerking of the strain on the kite cord.

After sending up several dummy bombs which were dropped nicely, they planned an attack upon an abandoned shack down in the Soper mud-don with the real bomb. They made a "garrison" with pumpkins for brave defenders of the "fort" and sent up

the kite with a long lighted fuse attached to the bomb, after making careful calculations as to the aerial attack.

But something went wrong with the mechanism of the bomb-releasing device and just as the kite was sailing over the schoolhouse, which wasn't in the enemy's country at all, the bomb came down and landed plump in the schoolhouse chimney. The boys say that they couldn't have hit the chimney in 1000 years if they tried.

Fortunately, school wasn't keeping and it was lucky that the bomb caught a little way down the flue, so when it went off all it did was to blow the top off the chimney, knock down the stovepipe, fill the room full of soot and ashes and jar down the picture of Abraham Lincoln, smashing the glass.

Some of the neighbors were very much put out about "such actions" and wanted the boys prosecuted, but Squire Hopkins, who is a past commander of the G. A. R. post, said that while he would have to take official cognizance of damage to the property of the town, there were extenuating circumstances and if the boys would pay for rebuilding the chimney, cleaning the schoolroom and for a new glass for Abraham Lincoln's picture, he would be very careful of their military operations in the future, he would consider the incident closed.

DRISCOLL TO FRONT
LONDON, Dec. 11.—Among the latest recruits for the Welsh Horse regiment which is now in training at Northampton, is Jim Driscoll, the English featherweight pugilist and holder of the Lonsdale belt as champion of his class in this country.

OFFICER TAKES TRIO

SEVERAL PEOPLE KNOCKED ASIDE WHEN ALLEGED PICKPOCKETS TRY TO ESCAPE

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Inspectors Burke, Claffin and Alexander of police headquarters had a lively session last night at the North station with three alleged pickpockets. The men were in the trainshed and when the officers approached them they tried to get away and in so doing several persons waiting for trains were knocked aside. The officers finally got the three and took them to headquarters. They gave the names of Charles Holman, aged 45 of New York, Max Fine and David Ross.

The men were all recognized at police headquarters. It is said, as men with records throughout the country. They were locked up as suspicious persons and this morning each may be summoned into court as a vagrant. The men had tickets to Montreal in their possession and claimed they were headed for that city.

MASS NOTICE
There will be an anniversary high mass of requiem sung at St. Michael's church Saturday morning at 8 o'clock for the repose of the soul of Father Conner.

CARD OF THANKS
The undersigned take this means of expressing to their friends their sincere appreciation of the many kind, generous and expressions of sympathy extended them during their bereavement in the death of their beloved sister, Miss Margaret Mearns of Col. linsville, and to assure them that they will ever be held in grateful remembrance.

(Signed) The Mearns Family, Collinsville, Mass.

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THE RABBIT'S FOOT

BY GWEN SEARS

THE SNOW WALK

It has been stated that the English women owe their splendid rosy complexions to the out-of-door life they lead. They go so far as to say that the American women spend too much time in steam heated rooms, devouring chocolates.

This may be true, or it may not be, but anyhow there is no excuse for the American woman sitting in her steam heated boudoir eating chocolates on these fine winter days, when all out-of-doors beckons and calls to her. Even in a large city, there are always parks and boulevards, and the woman who lives in a suburb has no excuse whatever for her desire to stay in the house.

Put on your morning costume and

stroll out. You will marvel at the interesting things you will see. Your tired eyes will suddenly become keen and before you know it, you are watching a squirrel scurrying over the snow covered fields, or you have paused to talk to some rosy faced kiddie who are snow bathing each other in the mad delight of childhood.

After a few mornings of such exciting enjoyment you will scorn your silk negligee. A morning at home, teasing your feet on the radiator will bore you. Your whole body and mind will cry out for the invigorating exercise of walking in the crisp winter air. Try it once, and you will find steam heated rooms and bon-bons.

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A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Recently weather conditions were just as bad and residents of Lowell were just as cranky 25 years ago as they are today. For here is what the old Sun had editorially 25 years ago: "Can't this administration afford to pay a few grams of sand on the sidewalks? It's much cheaper to do this than to have damages for broken limbs."

If they were kicking quarter of a century ago when Lowell was a much smaller town they'd kick anyway, so Charlie Morse should worry.

Lowell Camera Club
While photography has become a pastime in Lowell in recent years, and everybody has a kodak, quarter of a century ago it was considered a fine art and Lowell supported a Camera club which from time to time gave very creditable exhibitions of the work of its members.

The first of a series of amateur photographic exhibitions was given Tuesday evening under auspices of the Lowell Camera club. The views displayed were elegant and valuable and a large number visited the rooms during the evening to see the collection.

Mr. William E. Badger manipulated the stereopticon. The scenes principally represented landscapes in New England and animated and still life.

The late Terrence Hanover was an undertaker in this city more than quarter of a century ago and he owned a celebrated horse that had a habit of continually bowing his head and blinking his eyes as it passed along, whether in the harness or the undertaker's wagon. One day as Terry's horse was proceeding along Gorham street to the cemetery, bowing as it went, a man who was about to cross the street, stopped close to the horse and the animal looked him squarely in the eye and blinked. The man thought it a great joke and told all his friends that Terry Hanover's horse had winked at him. Within a year both men took ill and died and stories were told of other people who had been winked at by the funeral steed and who had passed away within a twelve-month or so. Finally it became an accepted belief that if Terry Hanover's horse winked at you, you'd die within a year. Ever afterward whenever a funeral would be seen approaching with Terry Hanover driving the hearse the superstitious ones would beat it to a safe retreat and if they hadn't time to escape would turn their backs on the cortege with Terry and his horse with the malevolent glance had passed on. The horse carried many a well known citizen to his final resting place before death put his baleful eye or the blink for all time. While not engaged in his sombre duties as an undertaker Ter-

rence Hanover's inclinations ran to music and he was noted as a dancer. He could play a break-down better than any man in Lowell and no picnic of the old Lowell Irish Benevolent society was complete without Terry and his fiddle.

On those festive occasions Terry's horse was confined to the barn where he could wink to his heart's content without any fatal results. Speaking of fatal winks, my old friend Ben O'Hara, the bricklayer, once told me of an experience he had while working in Lawrence years ago. Ben says there was a police officer in that burg who had a peculiarity of one eye that was quite noticeable, and one morning while one of his fellow-bricklayers was going to work he met the officer and the latter looked him in the eye. That day the bricklayer fell off a wall and was killed, and ever afterward when the bricklayers were on their way to work, if they saw the officer coming, they'd hike for a side street lest he might look at them. But it frequently happened with some of them, in hiding Ben, that the cop saw them first, and whenever that happened they'd religiously abstain from working, lest something awful should befall them.

An Old Time Recount
In these enlightened days the registers of voters take charge of the recounts, each candidate being permitted to have a representative at the count. Quarter of a century ago the board of aldermen held the recounts and there was one held over the city election which the old Sun wrote up as follows: "The aldermen Tuesday commenced to recount the ballots cast in the late municipal election, and from the start they showed a disposition to 'goose' the interested candidates out of whatever rights they are supposed to have under the law. In regard to being present and having a free view of every ballot as they were being recounted. It was nearly 6 o'clock in the afternoon when the recount began. Everybody but press representatives were excluded from the circle made by the aldermen's desks. This sort of business forced all of the candidates to huddle outside of the hall, or in the council chamber, or in the cold hallway. Under this way of doing business not one of the candidates could tell whether or not the aldermen were marking in crosses where they would do the most good. Editor Houston of the Times was one of the interested candidates and he made a plain protest against the best system of recounting the ballots and then he left, refusing to be an attentive examiner of the backs of the 'clean pollsters' aldermen. Alderman Perry also objected, but all to no avail. So the recount has been going on in fits and starts all week. The aldermanic and council candidates have lost or gained one or two in each precinct but not enough to change the

result. The most important revelations of the recount are the ballots cast for John McCluskey for alderman and for Dr. Walker for the school board. Mr. McCluskey gained 50 votes in ward one, placing him near Messrs. Paige and Hogan in the general result. Dr. Walker gained nine votes in ward six, reducing Burnham's majority to seven."

THE OLD TIMER.

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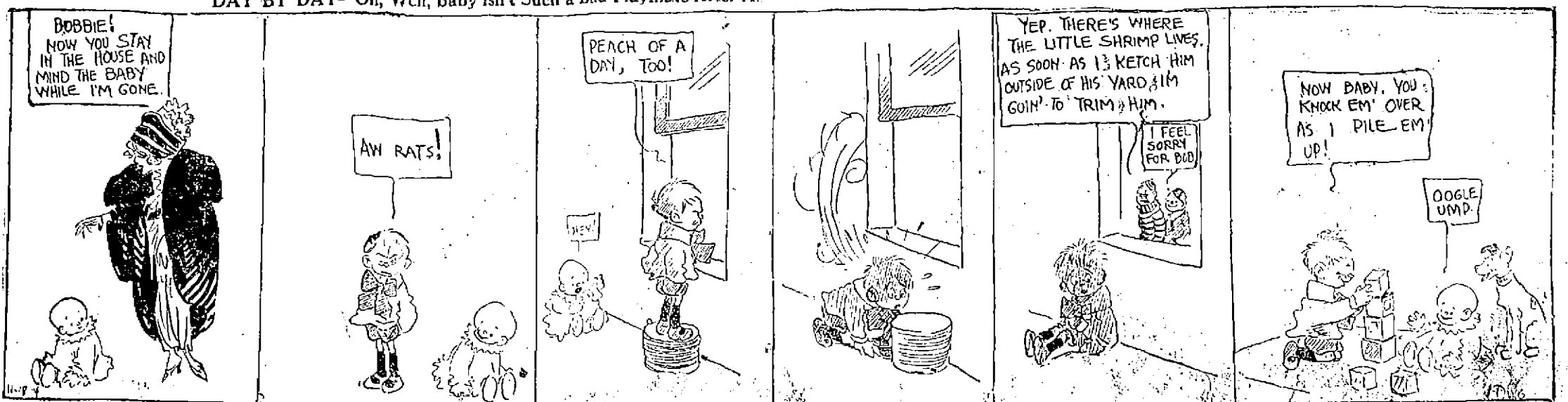
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DAY BY DAY—Oh, Well, Baby Isn't Such a Bad Playmate After All

BY CLARE VICTOR DWIGGIN



ABDUCTION CASE RECORD CROP

Young Men Who Carried Girl Away in Auto Fined \$50 Each

Yesterday's session of Police court saw the conclusion of the much mooted abduction case, so called, when Veritas Fotopoulos and Christos Fotopoulos appeared before Judge Barrett charged with assault and battery upon Valtia Matsou.

Lawyer Hamel appeared for the prosecution and John J. Harvey represented the two defendants. The case was started with Mr. Hamel outlining the abduction of the Matsou girl.

The complaint was going from from work on the night of Nov. 28 when she was seized by the two defendants while passing through Thorne street and hurried into an auto, carrying and trying to break away from the two men.

At the time when this happened Fotopoulos had already been granted a license certificate at city hall with the Matsou girl's name enrolled upon it as the prospective bride. Mr. Hamel stated that the consent of the girl's mother had been gained by the young man at though the girl had not consented so far as he knew.

The girl was then taken a captive to a house where it seems Fotopoulos expected that the marriage ceremony would be performed. But it wasn't, for the girl wouldn't have him. Later he returned to her home and subsequently swore out a warrant against her father as well as his friend.

In conclusion the attorney for the prosecution stated that his client did not want the defendants to go to jail but was satisfied to have a few imposed. Judge Barrett made several remarks on the case relative to his imposed nature and said that the next defendant brought in on a similar complaint would receive a jail sentence, both defendants were fined \$50 and appealed.

Of Cotton Produced by United States This Year

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The United States this year has produced the greatest crop of cotton in its history. More than 15,000,000 bales—15,866,000 of lint, cotton and lint cotton unfabricated—estimated from 100,000 to 600,000 bales—this year's record.

STOCK MARKET

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	High	Low	Close	Open
Boston 12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
NY & ME 12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
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MINING

Ala. Gold	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Ala. Gold	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
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TELEPHONE

Am. Tel. & T. Co.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Am. Tel. & T. Co.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Am. Tel. & T. Co.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2

MISCELLANEOUS

Am. Tel. & T. Co.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Am. Tel. & T. Co.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
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BONDS

U. S. 4 1/2 %	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
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PRZEMYSL IS DESERTED

FOOD STORES HAVE BECOME EXHAUSTED AND FEW CATTLE ARE LEFT

LEMBURG, Galicia, Dec. 10.—(Via Petrograd)—Prisoners who were taken in a battle made by the garrison of the Austrian fortress of Przemyśl and brought here yesterday declare that all the inhabitants of Przemyśl have deserted the city and that it is fast becoming uninhabitable.

Food stores have become exhausted, the prisoners say and few cattle are left. A day's rations for an entire company has been decreased to 11 pounds of meat and even the supply of canned goods is almost exhausted.

TRIAL OF E. P. METCALF

DIRECTORS OF ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK OF PROVIDENCE TESTIFY AGAINST DEFENDANT

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 10.—Edward P. Metcalf, while president of the Atlantic National bank, put through that institution drafts of the Massachusetts Chemical company and the Mexican National Packing company, Ltd., without the knowledge of the bank's directors, several members of the board testified today at the trial of Metcalf and Henry B. McKay, a New York broker on charges of alleged misappropriation of funds of the institution.

The directors, David Sherwood, John R. Smith, Green Jones, Ernest Tins, and Jesse P. Kelly also stated that Metcalf put through in a similar manner two demand notes aggregating \$17,000. After the transactions had been completed, they said, they were informed of them.

EXCUSE ME



LOWELL ACTOR TO WED FIRE IN FENWICK STREET THREE BURNED TO DEATH

HENRY T. CURRY TO MARRY MISS MINA GRAHAM OF PROVIDENCE, R. I., AT PORTLAND, ME.

Mr. Henry T. Curry, a Lowell boy who is now making good in professional theatrical circles, will be married to Miss Mina Graham of Providence, R. I., at Portland, Me., on Saturday evening. Both are members of the Thomas Musical Co.

The couple will be attended by Miss Harriette Moran of Lowell as bridesmaid and Mr. Thomas Whalen as best man. Miss Moran and Mr. Whalen are also members of the company. Following the marriage ceremony a reception will be held at the Hotel Windsor, at Portland, and among the guests will be the members of the company and Messrs. Walter and Fred Fletcher, Frank McCardin, and Alton Bryant, all of Lowell.

Mr. Curry will be remembered here for his connection with the famous Glendale quartet and also as a soloist of the Sacred Heart church choir. He has appeared before Lowell audiences on numerous occasions and was always a great favorite.

Several years ago the Glendale quartet, enjoyed a very successful season "on the road," during which time it played two engagements at the Merrimack Square theatre, this city. Two of the members, however, accepted other positions and consequently the quartet was disbanded. Mr. Curry realizing that the fringe held a bright future for him and as he greatly enjoyed the work decided to seek employment in another line and hence accepted a position with the Thomas Musical Comedy company, which was then being organized in Providence.

Mr. Curry assumed the role of comedian and was a success from the start. While in Providence he became acquainted with Miss Graham and after a brief courtship their engagement was announced. When the company reached Portland the young couple decided to get married and so informed their friends.

The Lowell men who will attend the ceremony are members of the Glendale club of which Mr. Curry was a popular member. They will leave tomorrow for the Maine city and will remain there until Sunday.

Some of Mr. Curry's many friends here wish him happiness more fervently than those who were most closely associated with him while he was a resident of the Shuttle City.

ALARM FROM BOX 114 SUMMONED FIREMEN TO STURDIOY BLAZE ON ROOF

The building situated at 34-36 Fenwick street was badly damaged by fire yesterday in what threatened for a time to be the beginning of a serious conflagration. Chief Saunders and his men fought the blaze for nearly two hours and finally succeeded in getting it under control. The roof of the building was practically burned off and the flames worked their way down into the partitions in such a manner as to make it a difficult affair for the firemen.

The alarm from box 114 rang in at 2:05, but the fire had been blazing for some time previous to the alarm. When the apparatus arrived on the scene the flames were shooting up high above the building. The fire was probably caused by a defective chimney. The chimney was as dry as powder and in spots the heat from the chimney had access to the walls on either side. The damage is estimated at \$100. The building is owned and occupied by John Doughton.

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MAN, WIFE AND BABY PERISHED IN FIRE THAT DESTROYED VILLAGE—LOSS \$75,000

VASSAR, Mich., Dec. 10.—John Novak, his wife and baby son were burned to death early today in a fire which destroyed most of the village of Owendale near here. The bodies were found in the ruins of their home. The property loss is estimated at \$75,000.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE TABLED WORCESTER, Dec. 10.—The Massachusetts state senate in its annual convention here today refused to endorse woman suffrage by a resolution on the table until next year a resolution favoring the movement. The action was taken after a long debate.

The senate adopted a resolution favoring national constitutional prohibition and tabled a resolution approving Wilson on the question of the national defense, as expressed in his recent message.

AUSTRIANS' ATTACKS CONTINUE BERLIN, Dec. 10.—The following official statement was issued today at army headquarters:

It is officially reported from Vienna that the Austrians are attacking in western Galicia continue.

In Poland it is quiet along the southern front. The enemy's fresh attacks against Piotrkow again have failed, owing to the stubbornness of the Austro-German troops.

REJOICE OVER BRITISH VICTORY BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 10.—The local newspapers express gratification of the British naval victory of the Falklands for the reason that it frees commerce in the South Atlantic from the danger of capture and normalizes navigation.

A division of Argentine warships composed of the armored cruisers San Martin, Pueyrredon and Garibaldi has been sent to the coast of Patagonia.

TURKISH TROOPS CAPTURED ODESSA, Dec. 10.—A Turkish detachment landed with forces at Odessa, a small port on the Black Sea near Odessa. The Turks struck inland and were captured four miles from Tarutino, Bessarabia. They were disarmed and taken in Tarutino.

Miss Elizabeth Mitchell is moving this week from her residence in Varnoy street to her new home on Clark road.

Through an error in yesterday's funeral notices it was announced that the funeral of Mrs. Alice Gray Bowen would take place this afternoon. The correct time of the funeral is Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

WAR TALK HEARD

Preparedness of Nation Subject of a Vigorous Debate in House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—War talk held the floor in the house today and the preparedness of the nation was the subject of vigorous debate.

Rep. Gardner of Massachusetts, author of the resolution calling for investigation of the national defense, assailed President Wilson and the administration for opposing his plan.

Rep. Fitzgerald, chairman of the appropriations committee, in a brief reply and obviously speaking for the administration, announced his intention of making a detailed statement as to the nation's preparedness.

"I shall make a statement on this question of preparedness," he said, "before this session of congress ends and perhaps then some of these ex-secretaries who are seeking notoriety will not be so anxious to call attention to the annual reports they made when in office."

REP. GARDNER SPEAKS WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Rep. Gardner of Massachusetts addressed the house today on his resolution for an investigation into the nation's preparedness for war. He professed his remarks for announcing that he had introduced a bill to enact into law, Secretary Garrison's recommendation in his annual report published today to recruit the United States army to its full war strength.

A large portion of his speech Mr. Gardner devoted to an analysis of President Wilson's address to national defense in his annual address to congress Monday. He declared the president had set up a bogey man of straw and "if war were to break out today it would be found our coast defenses have not sufficient ammunition for an hour's fighting."

"We must depend in every time of national peril on citizenry trained and accustomed to arms," said the president," Rep. Gardner said. "But how are we to get enough citizenry as he calls us ordinary people? Does the president realize that there are only 150,000 militiamen in this whole nation?"

Does he understand that 23,000 of them did not even show up last year for annual inspection? Does he know that 31,000 did not appear at the annual encampment? Is he aware that 23,000, or nearly half of this citizenry, never appeared at the rifle range during the whole course of last year?"

"Where is this citizenry to get the weapons of war? According to the last report of the chief of staff we are short 315 field guns and 1,322,334 rounds of ammunition necessary to equip our militia in time of war. Last year, General Wood asked for enough guns and ammunition to bring the United States up to the standard of Bulgaria. That honest demand was gently but firmly rejected. If war were to break out today it would be found our coast defenses have not sufficient ammunition for an hour's fighting. The chief of staff tells us that the ammunition for the coast defense mortars would last one half hour and the coast defense guns three-quarters of an hour."

"In short, then, our officers and officials have told us that we lack men for our navy, men for our coast defense and men for our army; that we lack artillery and the ammunition with which to charge our artillery; that we lack great warships to sail the seas and little scouts to act as their messengers and their eyes; that we have a sadly deficient undersea navy and practically no overhead fleet at all."

"I have proposed that an independent commission be appointed to investigate all these things to recommend to us a definite policy for our future guidance."

"For the first time in the history of this country, so far as I know, a committee of this house has refused to hear to one of the house's members."

Arbitration! What a grand word! All that Carnegie has to show for his money is an unprepared England and an unprepared Belgium. Possibly I accord him one other scalp to his tomahawk. Tomahawk, although that scalp is made of imitation hair. The pacifists boast that their efforts have at least caused every nation to disclaim the responsibility for the war. Had Belgium, like Switzerland and Holland, said more confidence in her troops and less in arbitration and means of war, she might today be free from the agony of invasion."

"Yet, every scrap of paper to which America puts her sign manual must be scrupulously redeemed. Come what may, we must fulfill our treaty obligations, even if every other nation on earth is to lose. But suppose that for some future time we find our path beset by nations with smaller consciences and larger howitzers—what then? Shall we defend ourselves with mammoth rolls of Sunday school signatures or shall we place our dependence in Chattanooga lectures. Perchance that day, I should like a few dogs of war, and I presume not to sic them until the passersby. I can dream of a day when

WENT TO LAWRENCE

MEMBERS OF CITOYENS-AMERICAINS CLUB OF THIS CITY GUESTS OF CERLE MONTCAIM

About 60 members of the Citizens-Americans club went to Lawrence, Mass., on Wednesday evening, where they were the guests of the members of Cerle Montcaim, a social club of the downy river city. The occasion of the trip to Lawrence was the second meet in a wheel tournament organized between the members of both organizations and for which silver trophy is at stake. The Lowell boys defeated their opponents by 13 points and at the close of the match it was decided to hold the next and last meet in this city in the quarters of the Citizens-Americans club in Middle street.

The Lowell delegation, headed by the president, Maxime Lapina, and accompanied by the double quartet of the club, boarded a special car at Merimack square at 7:10 o'clock and upon their arrival in Lawrence they were received by the members of Cerle Montcaim and escorted to their spacious and well appointed rooms at the corner of Broadway and Lowell street. A brief reception took place during which vocal and instrumental numbers were given and then the wheel tournament opened. The result of the match was as follows: Citizens-Americans, 231; Cerle Montcaim, 251. The result of both meets gave the Lowell players a lead of 103 points.

A buffet luncheon was served and an entertainment program was given upon the direction of A. J. Roberts of Lawrence, and Theodore Minto of this city. The next match will be held in this city on the first Wednesday in January.

DR. DUDLEY SENTENCED

MAXIMUM OF 20 YEARS AND MINIMUM OF 10 YEARS WITH RECOMMENDATION THAT HE SERVE 15

HOUSTON, Me., Dec. 10.—Dr. Lionel E. Dudley, who this morning pleaded guilty of manslaughter in connection with the death of Mildred Sullivan, this afternoon was sentenced to a maximum of 20 years and a minimum of ten years in state prison at hard labor, with a recommendation that he serve 15 years.

Alfred Pelletier was sentenced to a maximum of three years with a recommendation that he serve one year on the charge of being an accessory to the fact of the operation, to which she pleaded guilty after retracting her former plea. The other charges against her were dropped.

The murder charge against Kate Mitchell was dismissed. The charge of performing an illegal operation was placed on file and she was allowed to go free on her own recognizance.

Ambrose Hilditch pleaded not guilty to the charge of being an accessory before the fact of the operation and his case was continued until the next term of court. He was remanded to jail.

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Constipation doesn't linger when Rheumalsts take action. This medicinally blended and absolutely pure carbonated lithia drink is the easiest, most pleasant and quickest laxative known.

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BY CLARE VICTOR DWIGGINS



CARNEGIE AT WHITE HOUSE

Opposed to Truce in War During Christmas Holidays — Praises President Wilson

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Andrew Carnegie, a White House caller today, expressed decided opposition to a truce in the European war during the Christmas holidays. He declared that it would be un-Christian like and immoral to stop the fighting and then begin it again. He added that he could not believe that any nation which adopted such a suggestion was doing it sincerely.

Mr. Carnegie, after attending a meeting of the Carnegie Institution, walked to and from the White House through a snowstorm. The president was out golfing and Mr. Carnegie said he probably would return to pay his respects. He praised Mr. Wilson's efforts in behalf of peace.

Mr. Carnegie gave it as his opinion that the military caste in Germany was responsible for the war but at the time hostilities broke out the emperor was ill and opposed to the war.

"The emperor has told me he took the greatest pride in the fact that he reigned for many years without being involved in war," said Carnegie, "but he was surrounded by a ring of militarists who were pushing for war."

Mr. Carnegie said he hoped that the world would be so horrified over the war that permanent peace would surely follow. He said his peace foundation would continue its work and that he believed ultimately international arbitration would settle all disputes. He declared children should be taught the horrors of war rather than brought up to admire soldiers and their deeds.

Lawrence. He drove up Merrimack street and made his turn down Central street, but in making the turn passed to the left instead of the right of the traffic signs with lanterns which point the way toward "Safety First."

Officer Thomas Coleman related the manner in which the accident occurred, saying that Buckley finally ran into the sign and smashed the lantern. The young man agreed with all that the officer said.

When he was sworn in, however, and told his story, a wholly different aspect was given the case. The defendant stated that two men were directly in front of his machine when he made the rapid turn which resulted in the accident. The only way in which he could prevent running into the two men was to bump the sign, said Buckley.

Judge Fairbank believed the straightforward story of the young man and Officer Coleman allowed that the story might very well be true for the glare of the headlights prevented him from seeing all that transpired. Buckley's case was placed on file.

IN POLICE COURT

Man Who Had Knocked Down Traffic Sign Excused—Other Cases

John Donnelly lives in Derry, N. H. But John does not always stay at home. John is perfectly all right while in Derry, but when he hits a town like Lowell it's all off.

The Derry citizen was arrested yesterday for drunkenness. He never got drunk in Derry, but he was drunk in Lowell, yes, quite drunk. Therefore Judge Fairbank thought that John had better go back home and stay there. John agreed with the court's opinion and pointed himself Derryward as soon as released.

The case of Alfred Capone, the pool-room keeper accused of also keeping chickens which did not belong to him, was again continued. The case of the stolen chickens will come up next Wednesday. William A. Hogan, Esq., appeared for the defense.

Two youngsters who did not like to go to the public schools were transported to the Middlesex Training school in the juvenile session. The two boys in question cared more for pleasures of a carefree existence than for the three R's as rendered by the school curriculum. There were several other boys in the juvenile session, but their cases were disposed of with probationary sentences.

Police court was again an uneventful spot this morning. Once more a short list confronted Judge Fairbank, and less than a half hour was consumed in making out justice.

A young man from Lawrence by the name of James A. Buckley ran afoul of a traffic lantern and the local police when on the night of Nov. 22 and appeared in court today charged with violating a city ordinance.

Buckley, it appears, was driving a machine for an automobile concern of

FOUR COTTAGES RUINED

FIRE SWEEP PLEASANT VIEW BEACH NEAR WESTERLY, R. I. —\$12,000 LOSS

WESTERLY, R. I., Dec. 11.—Four cottages were destroyed by fire at Pleasant View beach near here today, causing a loss estimated at \$12,000. The origin of the fire is not known. About 100 other cottages on the beach were threatened until a shift in the wind drove the sparks seaward.

BLUEJACKETS WITHDRAWN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Bluejackets from the gunboat Wheeling maintained at the American legation at Port au Prince since the last change of administration have been withdrawn to the ship. All is reported quiet in that capital.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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We have just purchased of Landers, Frary & Clark, New Britain, Conn., "The Universal" and "H. & B." brands of Cutlery.

1000 Sample Pocket Knives

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INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

Frank O'Keefe of the Lowell Felt Co. has had phenomenal success as a politician the past year.

President Warnock of the Trades & Labor council ranks among the leading labor men of the state.

James Buckley of the street department is said to be training hard for a coming event.

John Slack of the Merrimack Manufacturing company, is confined to his home with a severe cold.

Omer Verville of the J. L. Chaffoux company, made a great hit in his character sketch this morning.

Paul Quinlan of the J. L. Chaffoux Co. is one of the salesmen who believes that it is good policy to send customers away satisfied.

John Joyce of the Massachusetts mills and Fred Smith of the Spaulding Shoe Co., will spend Sunday visiting friends in Nashua, N. H.

Edward Brennan, formerly employed at the Beaver Brook mills is now making good as a salesman for the National Discount Co.

General Manager Sullivan states the dancing party to be conducted by the American Glea club tonight will be a highly enjoyable affair.

Patrick Gallagher of the Hamilton Manufacturing company, will have a new one for the club members to think over at the next meeting.

Wally Lyons of the Hamilton Manufacturing Co. is making them all sit up and take notice on the local alleys. Why not challenge Kempton, Wally?

Frank Finnelly of the Soco-Lowell shops and Jack Ryan will attend the women's ball in Nashua, N. H., tonight.

George Newell of the American Hide & Leather Co. made a grand impression on an election with his singing of "Get Out and Get Under." The clasp did persist in coming off that auto.

James Sheehan of the Tabbot Clothing company, is coming to the front rapidly as a violinist. Sheehan has won favor at a number of parties thus far this season.

The writer would be glad to meet Manager Ford of the Field Lumber Shop company, and Fred Fly of the charity department, at the Sun office at 8 o'clock this evening.

Miss Alice Gattrell of the Tremont & Suffolk mills is now a pupil at the New England Conservatory of Music. Her teacher is an accomplished pianist.

Peter Corcoran, of the Bon Marche company, is busily engaged at the present time getting sign cards ready for the Christmas season. Pete is some boy with the brush.

Clarence Fairburn, proprietor of Fairburn's market, is one of the most popular business men in this city. Clarence is a divider boy and a graduate of the Boston grammar school.

The parcel post will be hard hit from now on until after Christmas. The stores in this city are sending out countless bundles each day, and this system very convenient.

John Clark, the genial fireman at the Chelmsford Street hospital, has purchased a large farm in New Hampshire. It is said that the purchase was made for investment.

Chester I. Campbell, manager of the Textile Exhibitors' association, republican candidate of Quincy, Mass., was elected mayor in a four cornered contest by a wide margin.

Dick Preston of the Meers Adams Shop Co. is a highly valued member of the Duncy's bowling team. Dick is the lead-off man and a good one, too.

George Godfrey of the Beaver Brook mills is working hard for gear change and it is said that his efforts have been mainly responsible in bringing back the old glide steps.

Manager Ford of the C. Y. M. L. and basketball team who is employed at the Field Lumber Shop Co. announces that his team will be a contender for the state championship this season.

Frank Haggerty, the club clerk at the Merrimack Clothing Co., says that he will not play basketball the coming season. By his decision the C. Y. M. L. loses a valuable and hard player.

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DEATHS

MARSTON.—Dr. Joseph N. Marston of this city died suddenly of pneumonia, Tuesday, Dec. 8, in New York city, aged 33 years. Deceased was born in Lowell and received his early education at the Varnum grammar and high schools. He was graduated from the Harvard Medical school and afterward went abroad to study and received the degree of B. Sc. from Edinburgh university. He leaves a wife and four sons. He was a member of Kilmanning lodge, A. F. and A. M. Sons of the American Revolution and the Massachusetts Medical society.

CARR.—David Carr died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Walter A. Taylor, 15 Liberty street, aged 78 years, 7 months and 26 days. Deceased was born in Scotland, Yorkshire, England and came to this city in 1858. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Mary H. Carr, and one daughter, Mrs. Walter A. Taylor. He was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge, O. O. F. and a former member of Post 120 and C. V. U.

HOLTON.—Ann Holton widow of the late John P. Holton, died this morning at her home, 11 Simpson street, aged 80 years, 11 months and 11 days. She was a daughter, Miss Mary A. and one son, Patrick A. The body will be brought to Lowell by Undertaker Molloy and removal to her home, 18 Brooks street.

SMITH.—The many friends of Mrs. Margaret Monahan Smith will be pained to hear of her death which occurred this morning at 12 o'clock at her home, 11 Simpson street. She was a daughter of the late John P. Smith and was a member of St. Peter's parish and of the Married Ladies' society. Besides her husband, Samuel, she leaves three sons, Samuel, John and Patrick, and two daughters, Margaret and Catherine, and two sisters, Mrs. Patrick Corkey and Mrs. John Smith. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock this morning at St. Peter's church. Burial will be in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Francis Sullivan of St. Michael's church. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

LANGLEY.—The funeral of Mrs. Mary N. Langley was held from her home, 111 Summer street, yesterday. The services were conducted by Rev. R. A. Greene of Somerville, assisted by Rev. C. H. Fisher of this city. Burial was in Wrentham, where prayers were read by Rev. J. H. Greene. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Weinbeck.

BERKE.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Bridget Burke took place this morning at 8 o'clock from her late home, 77 Gorham street, and proceeded to St. Peter's church where, at 8:45 o'clock, a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan.

Among the many floral tributes was a large pillow inscribed "Mother," and pieces from Mrs. Burke's family, and pieces from Mrs. Burke's family, and pieces from Mrs. Burke's family.

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KILLED IN WAR BOY IS MISSING

Many Titled Men Have Nashua and Hudson Police Think C. M. Babcock Was Drowned

BERLIN, via The Hague and London, Dec. 11.—The new edition of the Almanach de Gotha has appeared, and presents numerous changes as a result of the war. Names in many places appear in small type, with the single comment that the person has fallen in battle, and the date and place is given.

A noticeable change is the fact that the sovereigns generally have divested themselves of the titles and decorations which they are at war, but Emperor William is still carried as a duke of Saxe-Coburg and a knight of the Garter (British), while Prince Henry is given a chief of the Russian Hussar regiment and as a British general.

The Russian emperor is no longer titled as the chief of Austrian regiments, but like King Albert of Belgium is still credited as a knight of the Black Eagle (German). The king of Montenegro is carried as an honorary commander of an Austrian regiment and as a knight of the Black Eagle.

In the non-sovereign houses, Nancy Leishman's marriage to the Duke of Croix again appears as one of unusual birth, but their son, Karl Emmanuel, born at Düsseldorf on Oct. 19, is recognized as hereditary Prince of Croix.

BATTLESHIPS ARE NEEDED

SEC. DANIELS EMPHASIZES NECESSITY OF DREADNAUGHTS TO COMMAND THE SEAS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The denouncing necessity of dreadnaughts to maintain the strength of naval powers at sea, with submarine boats, torpedoes, mines, and other modern weapons, was emphasized today by Secretary Daniels, before the house naval committee. He declared that if a fleet for sea to attack the United States the battleships would first be called upon and then would come the submarines and mines.

"We have today," said Secretary Daniels, "more and more, especially before, with a greater tonnage than ever before. We have more guns, more armor, more speed, more range, more power, more efficiency, more destructiveness, more ability to have more complete and successful attacks on the enemy's fleet, and more ability to defend our own fleet from attack."

BOY IN SECOND RESCUE

JOHN J. O'HARE, JR., OF ROXBURY SAVES FRED SAFFORD—HUMAN CRASH FORMED

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—John J. O'Hare, Jr., aged 18, of 77 Fenwood road, Roxbury, rescued Fred Safford, aged 17, of 415 Warren street, from drowning after he had fallen through thin ice on Hammond pond, in West Roxbury, yesterday afternoon.

With a number of others, the boys were playing hockey, when the puck was knocked to the middle of the pond, where the ice was thin. The Safford boy started after it, and was soon struggling in the cold water of the pond. Young O'Hare prostrated himself on the ice, and crawled toward the boy, who had gone down. O'Hare reached the edge of the ice and grabbed Safford by the neck when he again came up. As he was about to get back onto firm ice with him, O'Hare, too, went into the water, his head and the upper part of his body being submerged. Other boys then made a human chain, and both boys were drawn to safety. Safford was hurriedly taken home.

This makes the second rescue Young O'Hare has made. He holds a certificate from the Massachusetts Maritime society for saving the lives of a man and woman from the water near Peddocks Island, a year ago last July. They were precipitated into the water from an overturned rowboat and O'Hare, who was on a raft nearby, dived in and dragged them to safety.



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METCALF'S TRIAL

Employees of Columbia Trust Co. of New York Testify

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 11.—Employees of the Columbia Trust Co. of New York were called to testify today at the trial of Edward P. Metcalf, president of the Atlantic National bank, on charges of misappropriation of funds of the failed bank.

The witnesses were summoned to tell about the account of John W. De Key, a brother of Henry E. with the New York concern. They brought what purported to be a transcript of the company's books, but cross-examination showed that the so-called transcripts were not accurate. The witnesses were excused and ordered to appear later with the desired papers.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY

TWO MEN ARRESTED WITH \$200 WORTH OF CLOTH IN TWO SUIT CASES

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Inspectors McCauley and Rooney of police headquarters late yesterday afternoon arrested Adams Sarti, 30 years old, of 553 1st street, South Boston, charged with the larceny of cloth valued at \$250, believed to be the property of the French River textile company of Manchester, N. H.

The men were arrested in the North End, where it is claimed they were attempting to dispose of cloth valued at \$200. They had in two dress suit cases.

Later the officers went to Cammell's home in South Boston and recovered cloth worth about \$50 more. Sarti is believed to have been an employee of the French River company, as a pay envelope bearing his name and also the name of that firm was found on him. The inspectors have evidence, they say, that a trunk filled with cloth was shipped to Boston and sent to Cammell's house in South Boston a few days ago.

Football Game

Indians vs. All Stars
AT SPAULDING PARK
SATURDAY AFTERNOON, DEC. 12
At 2 o'clock
Tickets 25 Cents

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

The dancing club conducted by the members of the Columbia Trust Co. of New York, will hold a social party at the home of Mrs. Metcalf, 111 Third street, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 15.

All arrangements have not been made for the party, but it will be held at the home of Mrs. Metcalf, 111 Third street, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 15.

The Highland club will hold a bridge whist for ladies only next Wednesday afternoon at the Highland club house.

The pupils of Mr. Sanford Scribner Ames will hold a "Holiday Dinner" at the Highland club house, Dec. 22.

The Washington club held its annual business meeting Monday evening. A review of the year's activities and the state of the treasury was read by President John J. Sullivan.

The graduates of Trinity college, Washington, D. C., will hold a dance party in aid of the college at the Somerset hotel, Boston, Dec. 22.

Mrs. Alva Sturgess of the civics department of the women's club will speak at the club rooms on "Tuberculosis" Tuesday evening at 7:30.

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LIVE A LITTLE LONGER

TO INTEREST WOMEN ON HEALTH MATTERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Crisis, a country-wide campaign to instruct the women on health matters, Miss M. E. Bingham, who is secretary of the "Live a Little Longer" committee, Rochester, N. Y., today asked the Association of Life Insurance Presidents to assume the leadership of a movement to utilize the 257,000 school buildings in the United States for this purpose.

Miss Bingham declared that recent experience in Rochester showed that a plan of success. "We have found such a splendid point of vantage from which to take a crack at the enemy—disease—that I am here," said Miss Bingham. "To ask you to help place an army of several thousand in this position, instead of just two people, which is the number engaged in Rochester."

The board of education engaged two teachers, one a doctor and one a nurse, to give lessons bearing directly on health and life conservation; for example, what diseases are preventable; how to help to keep them from the home; and also by community effort from the community.

"The classes—to membership in which women 15 years old and over are eligible—are taught in the public schools outside of school hours, that is, between four and five in the afternoon. Evening courses are also to be begun. By giving these health courses in one school after another—in an organized group of five, ten, twenty, or thirty schools, the distance of every woman in the city."

"We have in the United States at least one and one-half million people sick from preventable causes, largely for lack of health education. 12,000 doctors and 100,000 trained nurses compare with 10,000 teachers. 257,000 school buildings, most of which have some idle rooms during at least 50 per cent of the possible teaching hours."

"It is too much to say that the country is merely waiting to have its attention called to this overwhelming opportunity."

What was in every sense a very delightful concert was given last evening in Colonial hall by Pasquale Tallarico, the brilliant young pianist who has achieved a nation-wide reputation and whose greatest boast is that he has received all of his musical training in this country. Mr. Tallarico has been heard in this city on a previous occasion, but the reputation he then made was crowned last evening by his superior skill and artistry.

In his recital, technical skill and subtle feeling for musical values were blended in such rare proportion that one forgot the interpreter and only heard the compositions of the masters. With his youth, temperament, and thoroughness, Mr. Tallarico has a most alluring future in the world of music. The large and appreciative audience that gathered last evening in Colonial hall was attention itself in every mood of the music, breaking out frequently into hearty applause. Following is the program:

Fantasia Cromatica e Fuga Bach
Gavotte Gluck-Brubner
Rondo Capriccioso Mendelssohn
Sonata Op. 27, No. 3 Beethoven
Ballade G minor Chopin
Arabesque No. 2 Debussy
Pavane Tchaikovsky
Fairy Burlesque Tallarico
Nacht fatter (Valse-Caprice) Strauss-Tausig
Cannonella Chopin
Chant Polonoise No. 5 Chopin-Liszt
Tenth Rhapsodie Liszt

The very first passages of Bach number showed the artist's mastery of the instrument and created surprised expectancy in the minds of the audience. In this as in all the selections, the melody was suggested with deliberate emphasis; never did Mr. Tallarico sacrifice feeling for brilliancy. The elaborations of the theme were always made secondary to the unity of the composition. Yet he showed a wonderful technique in the most difficult passages, always playing with reserve and using power only where it was most effective. He also showed a delicate mastery of mood, the contrast between the Gavotte of Gluck-Brubner and the opening number being sufficient to demonstrate it. The Rondo Capriccioso of Mendelssohn was beautifully interpreted, commencing with freshness and delicacy and ending in a wild riot of sound. The various treatments of the Beethoven Sonata were delicately emphasized, especial attention being paid to the melody.

In the third group the Chopin Ballade was given with great force and mastery and the Arabesque of Debussy was a delightful contrast in its airy delicacy. The Fairy Burlesque of the artist was also a notable number, introducing many novelties. In treatment, the lilting rhythm of the Strauss-Tausig selection made it one of the most charming of the evening. In the last group, the Liszt Cannonella given with extraordinary clearness and the Chant Polonoise was lovely in its plaintive delineation. The artist was at his best in these and in the closing number which left a marked impression of his musical ability in the minds of those who were fortunate in being present.

TRADE NATIONAL BANK
On account of many of the mills and factories of the city closing for the week-end, there was a steady flow of customers at the Trade National bank yesterday to draw their 10 per cent dividend. Interpreters were kept busy at all times, as were the clerks at the windows who hand out the checks. During the noon hour there was a slight rush but the crowd was handled without any inconvenience.

JIAN DANG CHERRY UNION
The directors of Jian Dang Cherry Union held a meeting at St. Joseph's college hall in Merrimack street last night for the purpose of organizing, and the result of the election was as follows: Ephraim Teller, president; George Ford, vice president; Joseph B. Lambert, secretary; Paul Vigeant, treasurer and L. N. Milot, director. It was voted to change the bookkeeping system to the card system.

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THREE GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED BY FRENCH

Paris Official Report Adds That One Important French Trench Reached by Kaiser's Forces

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The official statement given out in Paris this afternoon says that the enemy yesterday was active in the vicinity of Ypres. Three of his attacks were repulsed but one of the important French trenches was reached by the forces of Emperor William. Nevertheless French troops continue to make progress in the direction of the enemy's lines, according to the official report. Artillery engagements are reported in the region of Arras and in the Vosges, as well as in the vicinity of Verdun and on the heights of the Meuse. In the Argonne the French advanced several of their trenches. The text of the communication follows:—

"The enemy showed a certain activity in the region of Ypres. He directed several attacks against our lines, three of which were completely repulsed. At one single point on the front the Germans succeeded in reaching one of our first line trenches. On our side we continued to make progress in the direction of the enemy's lines."

"In the region of Arras and in the vicinity of Juvencourt, there have been artillery engagements."

"In the Argonne we have pushed forward several of our trenches and driven back two German attacks."

"In the region of Verdun we have consolidated our gains of the preceding days. The German artillery has been active but we suffered no losses. A singular condition has existed on the heights of the Meuse. In the forest of the Pretre our progress has been continued and has developed. To the south of Thionville we have occupied the heights of the forest. The remainder of the front in the Vosges there have been artillery engagements."

FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S WAR NEWS IN BRIEF

10:00

British fleet hunts down and sinks the Nuremberg and corners the Dresden, last of German fleet, in Straits of Magellan.

Six German submarines try to enter Dover harbor, several sunk by English batteries, it is said.

British hunt Germans out of Armenia, France.

Allies enter Belgium, driving out Germans.

Condition of Emperor William reported to be better.

German report French repulse in the Argonne.

Paris official report declares French artillery and infantry have established themselves over the Germans.

New French heavy guns drive Germans out of trenches and silence batteries.

Russians have stopped German effort to break through to Warsaw, says Petrograd.

Attempt to turn Russian flank in Galicia defeated.

Austria admits defeat in Serbia; the Serbians announce capture of 22,000 men and 76 guns.

Turkish gunboat sunk by Turkish mine at Dardanelles entrance.

French airmen drop 16 bombs on barracks at Freiburg, Baden.

Gold Coast offers to pay part of war's cost in Africa.

Gen. Botha announces the next task is to attack German Southwest Africa.

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JAMES J. McMANMON
One of the Speakers

Meeting Held at Kenwood Listened to Speeches and Finally Voted in Favor of Annexation—Committee Chosen to Outline District to be Annexed

If one is to judge by the enthusiasm that prevailed at a meeting of the residents of Kenwood, Dracut, Brookside and Bello Grove, held last night, it is fair to assume that the town of Dracut is to be annexed to Lowell. The meeting, which was held at the Kenwood hotel, was one of the most successful gatherings ever held in the town. About 75 men, all residents and taxpayers of the district, assembled in the greenhouse of James J. McManmon and discussed the annexation problem in a most thorough way, although a few of those present did not favor the proposition. At the close of the meeting a vote was taken and out of 48 who voted, 30 voted in favor of annexation. It was also voted to form a permanent organization and a committee of five was appointed to make a thorough inspection of the district and draw lines as to the district to be annexed to the city of Lowell.

The principal speakers of the evening were Assessor Jeremiah J. Sullivan and Representative Henry Achin of Lowell, and Representative Arthur W. Colburn and James J. McManmon of Dracut, while a large number of the men present expressed their views, giving their reasons why the district should be annexed and why it should remain as it is.

The meeting was opened at 8 o'clock by James J. McManmon, who in a few words explained the purpose of the gathering. In the course of his remarks Mr. McManmon said the Sun was mainly responsible for the meeting, not because the newspaper has anything to gain, but because this live newspaper is looking out for the welfare of the people of the district and the prosperity of Lowell. He urged those present to express their views on the matter of annexation, whether in favor or opposed to the project, and he assured his listeners all would be given fair play. He then called upon the assembly to choose a chairman and a secretary and Rep. Arthur W. Colburn and H. A. Flanders were unanimously elected to the positions of chairman and secretary respectively.

The chairman then called on a representative of the Sun to explain the attitude of the newspaper on the matter of annexation, and Mr. Larochelle said that he had been called at the request of a number of residents of the district who had asked the support of the Sun to bring about a mass meeting of the citizens and taxpayers of the district. He said the Sun was interested in annexing a part of Dracut to Lowell because the city needed more land. He said the river road district was selected for the meeting because the residents have expressed themselves in favor of annexation as the only means of securing fire protection, water supply and free schools.

He concluded by saying it was up to the assembly to either drop the matter if they felt annexation would not be beneficial to them, or to organize permanently and push the matter along.

Rep. Achin was then called upon and at the outset he informed his listeners he was in favor of annexation for the betterment of Lowell and the residents of the district, for he said he felt assured that all parties interested would benefit by the change. Mr. Achin gave interesting data concerning the growth of Lowell and his remarks were in part as follows:—

"I am a firm believer in the movement for creating a Greater Lowell and in bringing our city to its proper rank among Massachusetts cities. A few years ago we were all surprised to learn that Fall River had gone ahead of Lowell and again this year we are informed that New Bedford has outdistanced us. In searching about for the reason of Lowell's slower progress it becomes quite apparent that the question of area is the main cause and that our city is greatly handicapped by its present small area, when in reality, populous sections of adjoining towns are rightfully part of Lowell, because the population of those sections depend for a large share upon Lowell's industries and commerce and are an important factor in its daily life. With populations nearly the same, Lowell has an area of 3028 acres of land, compared to 26,156 which Fall River occupies, and 20,513 acres within the boundary lines of New Bedford."

The story of the growth of Lowell is one of annexation as shown by the records since May 1st, 1825, when a part of the town of Chelmsford was established as Lowell. Since that time a portion of Tewksbury was annexed in 1834, a part of Dracut in 1851, more annexation from Dracut, Chelmsford and Tewksbury in 1874, and again from Dracut in 1875. Tewksbury lost another section in 1855 and lastly in 1905, when what is now called South Lowell was annexed from Tewksbury.

Dracut is referred to as common land in the year 1702 and has never added to its territory but has yielded to Lowell upon three previous occasions. I understand that the motive behind your annexation movement is not because of any particular dissatisfaction but a desire for the betterment of general conditions. Lowell in planning expansion must extend the benefits of its facilities to any newly acquired territory and it does not follow that the people of the added section lost any of their rights and privileges but on the contrary they benefited by a much larger degree, while Lowell also derives many advantages and increased responsibilities, for it means larger revenues, greater population and a bigger front yard for its inhabitants, while on the other hand it carries over to the annexed territory more facilities for fire protection, improved streets and walks, better water service, efficient police protection and all the advantages of Lowell's public school system free of charge."

The completion of the first street extension to the new highway with the expressed intention of the Bay State Street Railway Co. to double its car tracks in this section would bring you within very short reach of Lowell's city hall. While I do not possess the figures in detail of the exact amount of territory it is desired to be annexed to Lowell, I believe the proposition merits looking into further, and could be arranged for the mutual benefit of all concerned."

Assessor O'Sullivan

The next speaker was Jeremiah O'Sullivan, a member of the board of assessors of Lowell, who informed his listeners he did not come for the purpose of expressing his personal views on the matter of annexation, but simply to speak along lines concerning

FORMER LOWELL PASTOR KILLED IN NEW JERSEY

Rev. C. L. Merriam, Late of Highland Church, Killed When Train Struck Auto—His Wife Injured

Rev. Charles L. Merriam, a former Lowell pastor, was instantly killed and his wife seriously injured, when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a train on the New Jersey and New York railroad at Essex street crossing, Hackensack, N. J., last night.

Rev. David Stuart Hamilton, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Paterson, and Mrs. Hamilton, were badly injured, as was the chauffeur of the car. All the injured were taken to a hospital. It was said at the hospital that Mrs. Hamilton's condition is critical.

Rev. Charles L. Merriam was a former pastor of the Highland Congregational church in this city. He left Lowell about 17 years ago. From here he went to Pelham, N. H., and later to Peary, N. H. Later he became pastor of the North Congregational church in Newton. In 1913 he left Newton to assume the pastorate of the Auburn Street Congregational church, Paterson, N. J.

Mr. Merriam was graduated from Yale where he displayed a special enthusiasm for music, as he did here. He was married twice. His second wife was Miss Grace Greeley of Pelham. He is survived by his mother and a daughter by his second marriage.

the assessing of property, and he said he would willingly answer all questions put to him concerning the assessing of property. His remarks were in part as follows:—

"Massachusetts does not classify property at the present time for the purposes of taxation. It is the duty, therefore, of the assessors in each year under our general property tax law, to make a fair cash valuation of all property, real and personal, situated within the city and all the personal property of the inhabitants of the city, wherever situated, unless the same is expressly exempted by law. All property is assessed at the same rate. For the purposes of assessment property may be divided into three groups: Real estate, lands and buildings; tangible personal property and intangible personal property. You are not interested so much in the latter two groups. Suffice for me to say that the present system of taxation, inasmuch as it assesses property is condemned by practical tax officials and tax commissioners. Taxation of the farm property is in a high degree uncertain, irregular and unsatisfactory. It rests mainly in guess-work, unequal in its practical working and hence demoralizing alike to tax-payers and tax officials. Property, such as the three mill tax, or the income tax, which will place a fair tax upon the capital value. We may eliminate also the taxation of tangible personal property with the statement that your board of assessors here no doubt has the same method as we in placing assessments of this class of property, such as stock in trade and the like, arriving at what a fair cash value of the property would be."

"Real estate may be considered in three classes: ordinary real estate, such as lands and buildings in the city; farm property in rural districts and real estate of public service corporations. In the proposed district of annexation, you would not, I believe, have the third class to consider. Two things are essential to an accurate assessment of real estate: first, maps obtained by survey showing area, dimensions and locations, and the various subdivisions of ownership. Second, a separate statement of the value of the land and value of structures thereon, as well as the establishment of a unit of value."

"When the actual work of assessment is undertaken the first problem is to find the basis of valuation. That is, a standard of value by which to measure each parcel and in terms of which to express its relation to the standard. The problem of fixing a standard of value is presented to the town assessor just as it is to the assessor in a city, but it is not the same problem. In cities, frontage is the chief element of value. In a town the area is the commonly accepted unit, but the establishment of the value of the unit is the same problem on each road, the value of an acre of each class of land, making allowance for work, gully, hillside, etc., would be determined. The assessment of buildings in a town does not present problems differing from assessment of buildings in cities. You have fewer types to deal with, proper allowance for depreciation in the value of buildings, for the method of construction and the failure to keep up proper repair in country buildings must and would be considered as causing them to deteriorate much more rapidly than city buildings."

Mr. O'Sullivan then spoke of the annexation of South Lowell, saying there was little change in the valuation of property in that district. He compared the Dracut tax rate with that of Lowell, and said this year Lowell is experiencing an unusual tax rate and he believed it will be reduced. Several present asked questions concerning the property in the annexation district of Dracut. One man asked if in the event of the district being annexed the residents will be obliged to go to city hall for building permits, and the reply was in the affirmative. Mr. O'Sullivan also explained that as far as improvements are concerned, such as sewerage, the city pays half the expense and the abutters the other half.

Fred Vinal asked Mr. O'Sullivan if the South Lowell tax increased after the annexation and would the Dracut tax increase, and the reply was that there was no change in South Lowell. He said in the event of a part of Dracut being annexed, the Lowell assessment would not come to the district like hungry hounds to raise money. He said the foundation would come from the Dracut assessors, and he did not believe the value of the property would be raised. In time, of course, when the land is developed and dwellings much more numerous the valuation would be naturally increased and the assessors in such cases would be guided by the

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FIGHT TO BRING HARRY K. THAW TO NEW YORK

Extradition of the Man Who Escaped From Matteawan up for Consideration Today by the Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The extradition of Harry Thaw from New Hampshire to New York was up for consideration today by the supreme court.

The argument of counsel for Thaw and for the state of New York today marks the final steps in the legal fight which has waged over Thaw ever since he walked out of the gates of Matteawan in August, 1913, escaped to Canada and finally came into the custody of an official in New Hampshire for extradition to New York to answer to an indictment for conspiracy to escape from the Matteawan asylum.

The murder of Stanford White by Thaw as a result of which the latter was sent to Matteawan was mentioned only incidentally in the case.

market value as a standard and set their figures usually a little under.

In the course of the arguments that followed it was brought out by someone that in the event of the district being annexed the city of Lowell would construct a contagious hospital in the district. The men were informed that they would be able to protest and their protest would have more weight with the city officials than that of the selectmen of the town. They were assured no contagious hospital would be erected in that district.

Mr. McManmon

James J. McManmon was then called upon for a few remarks and he said he was greatly in favor of annexation and he made the statement that before many years the whole town of Dracut will be annexed to Lowell. He said he believes the other parts of the town would not offer any objection to town would offer any objection to the river road district being annexed. "What we want," said Mr. McManmon, "is water and fire protection. We are not having the necessary improvements but are paying heavy taxes. Seventy-five per cent of the residents of Dracut are paying more in taxes for their small homes than they ought to be paying. The territory will be a favor for their little homes as much for large farms. Some speak of extending the Dracut water system to our district. If this matter were pushed through the rates would be so high we would be forced to vacate the town. In the event of annexation I don't think the territory will be a favor for their little homes as much for large farms. 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CAPTURE OF WARSAW BY GERMANS IMMINENT

SEN. WEEKS PRAISES UNITED STATES NAVY

Opposes Agitation for Investigation of Military Preparedness—
Too Much Publicity, He Says

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Declaring that there has been too much publicity of military affairs of the nation, Senator Weeks of Massachusetts in a speech in the senate today opposed agitation for special investigation of military preparedness, praised the strength and personnel of the navy and urged the organization of an army reserve.

"Anyone may learn about our military or naval establishment by reading the reports of the secretaries of the departments and the reports of those who are conducting the different

bureaus and branches of the service," exclaimed the senator. "It is an open book to all our citizens and there need be no doubt about our relative position or our capabilities if one is disposed to study reports instead of seeking notoriety in the press."

Too Much Publicity

"In fact there is and has been altogether too much publicity in such matters, in my judgment. We have had a demonstration during the present European war of the value of secrecy in conducting military operations and there is no reason why we

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CITY HALL CLOCK

City Messenger Monahan Explains Why the Time Piece Stopped

Owen Monahan, Lowell's sental city messenger, is not the kind of a man to let a stretch of good weather get on his nerves, or to worry because the screw of an ocean liner revolves 630,000 times during the voyage from New York to Liverpool, but he's just the least bit fussy when it comes to killing time. If there's any time to be killed around city hall, Owen feels that the place is full of men and women who are willing, able and anxious to do it, and he doesn't want the weather clerk or any other stranger to be putting in. He would rather give the job to a fellow townsmen than to have it go to a nonresident.

This is apropos, in a measure, of an accident to the city hall clock, over which the eagle sits and never screams. Some modern day historians relate that the clock stopped when the election returns were announced on Tuesday night, but Owen Monahan denies the self-incrimination. Owen says that the weather clerk loaded the noon clock's hands with ice and snow on Monday night and that the hands, becoming numb, were unable to feel their way around the dial. They were frozen stiff and Owen feared they would have to be amputated, but Old Sol gave them

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WM. T. JEROME RAPPED

ATTORNEY FOR THAW ARGUES BEFORE SUPREME COURT ON QUESTION OF EXTRADITION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The supreme court heard arguments today on the question of extraditing Harry K. Thaw from New Hampshire to New York.

Philander C. Knox, former secretary of state, made the argument for Thaw when counsel, by storing the opposing lawyers.

"This record is full of legal thunders for Thaw," said Mr. Knox. "Five times this man (pointing to William Traverser Jerome, who represented New York state) has tried to send him back into the asylum, and not until Thaw got outside the state did he win a point, and that a self-evident point—that a man whose extradition for one offense when the record on his face shows that he is not competent to commit a crime, because insane."

Mr. Knox asserted that the five adjudications in New York that Thaw was insane were binding on the state of New York in seeking to extradite him.

Chief Justice White asked if Thaw did not have the right to apply for habeas corpus now on the ground of having recovered his sanity as well as formerly.

Mr. Knox replied that an insane person need not renew his efforts every day for release in order to blind the state.

Mr. Knox suggested that the purpose of New York in extraditing Thaw was open to consideration. The chief justice said he recalled for recall some case where extradition for one offense and subsequent punishment for another would give occasion for release because of denial of a federal right.

"My colleague (Wm. A. Stone) tells me there is such a case, but I did not recall it," said Mr. Knox.

ALLIES CHECKED IN BELGIUM, SAYS BERLIN

Germans Sweeping Across Poland—
New Attempt of Allies to Throw
Back Germans in Belgium Checked
—Germans Repulsed in the Argonne
Region, Says Paris

Both the French and German official statements of today indicate that the new attempt of the allies to throw back the Germans in Belgium has been checked and that in the region of Ypres the Germans have not only hurled back the oncoming forces but in turn have made an advance. The Paris announcement states that several German attacks were made and that three of them were completely repulsed. It is admitted, however, that at one point the Germans succeeded in reaching one of the first line trenches of the allies. Elsewhere in Flanders continued progress is reported. The German statement merely says that gains have been made in Flanders.

The fighting in the Argonne region continues to be the subject of conflicting claims. The French war office asserts that two German attacks there were repulsed and that the allies have pushed forward several trenches. Berlin reports progress east and west of the Argonne forest. Each official statement, moreover, tells of advantages won in the artillery encounter, which apparently is proceeding with unabated intensity.

The Berlin war office states, as Petrograd virtually concedes, that the German advance in Poland is continuing steadily.

The situation in East Prussia where the Russians have invaded German

territory remains unchanged and there is no further news from the battle for the possession of Grodno, Galicia.

It is admitted unofficially in Petrograd today that German troops are sweeping across Russian Poland and are now about 15 miles from Warsaw. The army of General Mackensen apparently is striking forward rapidly, although it is said that the other invading armies to the north and south are making little, if any, progress. The possibility of German occupation of Warsaw is seen in Petrograd, where it is said that if the Russians should withdraw from the city for strategic reasons its capture by the Germans should not be considered as important.

Emperor Nicholas is again at the front, having gone on this occasion to Trans-Caucasia, where his troops are seeking to thrust back the Turks and accomplish Russia's historic aim of planting her flag on the Bosphorus.

A Turkish report states that an attempt of Russians to land troops on the shore of the Black sea near Fatma was repulsed with heavy loss to the invaders.

Germany is proud of her adventurous men of war in the hour of their destruction. The admiralty at Berlin points out that the warships defeated by the British in the south Atlantic had been for four months on the high seas deprived of the use of their guns for obtaining supplies or repairs notwithstanding which they were always able to obtain coal. The cruiser Division, last survivor of the five warships which composed the squadron, is reported to have been bottled up in the straits of Magellan and her fate is still in doubt.

Emperor William's announcement of whose illness has been followed by various unpublicized reports that his condition was serious, is said to have improved greatly.

The reported turn in the fortunes of war in Serbia, where only recently the

Austrians were described as pushing the defending army to such lengths as to threaten its destruction is said in Nash to be decisive.

The claim is made that the Austrians are retreating in disorder all along the line and that more than 22,000 prisoners have been taken.

JAPANESE WARSHIPS ARE SEEKING GERMAN CRUISER PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH

TOKIO, Dec. 11.—According to reliable information reaching Tokyo today, a squadron of Japanese warships is seeking the German converted cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich off the coast of Chile.

TO HOLD TWO INQUESTS

DEATH OF TWO MEN, VICTIMS OF ACCIDENT, TO BE INVESTIGATED BY JUSTICE PICKMAN

Two inquests will be held before Associate Justice John J. Pickman in the court of second sessions next Wednesday morning, the first to be held at 10 o'clock.

One inquest is on the death of Frederick McDonald of this city, which occurred last March. McDonald, who was under 20 years of age, was crushed between a car and a stone wall at the Middlesex street power house and died as a result of the injuries sustained. A state officer visited this city last week and advised that an inquest be held to determine the cause of his death.

The second will be held on the death of Albert L. Paquin, of 42 Bruzard street, Manchester, N. H. Paquin was found lying on the tracks of the Boston & Maine railroad, near the corner of Howard and Tamper streets, about 9 o'clock on the evening of Saturday, Feb. 5. Both of his legs were amputated and he died at St. John's hospital a few hours later.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Commissioner Walker Says it Will Be Eradicated From Massachusetts By Tomorrow Night

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—In announcing that the foot and mouth disease would probably be eradicated from Massachusetts by tomorrow night, P. F. Walker, commissioner of animal industry, stated today that the cost of stamping out the infection probably would exceed \$200,000.

Quarantine restrictions have been relaxed sufficiently to permit transportation of cattle west of the Connecticut river, in parts of northern Massachusetts and western Worcester county.

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DISAPPEARANCE OF TRUST FUNDS IS EXPLAINED

Jonathan Tyler and Thomas Nesmith Funds Were Used to Meet Bank Notes in Early 70's

Trust funds? In the words of the immortal farmer who, gazing at the yak in the circus, said: "There ain't no such animal." City Treasurer Siles admits there was a time when the much mooted trust funds existed, but their existence was a short, if not a merry, one.

Acting Mayor Carmichael discussed trust funds with the city last reporter for The Sun, today, and stated, without hitch or equivocation, that he would not, as a member of the municipal council, vote to accept a fund such as the Jonathan Tyler or Thomas Nesmith funds. "The city," said Mr. Carmichael, "ought not to have anything to do with funds except the city is going to benefit directly from such funds. The city ought not to be the trustee for funds on which it pays six percent, unless the interest money accrues to the actual benefit of the city. If a fund is to be left in trust and the interest is to go to a church, charitable institution, or something of that kind, it should be handled by some trustee appointed by the court, or some corporation. It might, perhaps, be handled by the sinking fund commission and in that event, of course, the commission would be held entirely responsible. I do not believe in the city taking the responsibility of trust funds and agreeing to pay six percent on it. It isn't good business."

Commissioner Carmichael agrees with The Sun in what it has had to say, editorially, about the trust funds. The Sun asked the following pertinent questions: Who authorized the spending of the trust funds amounting to about \$30,000? Why were they spent? These questions, and a few more, were pitched to the city treasurer's door this forenoon and as the farmer said of the yak, so sayeth the treasurer relative to the trust fund: "There ain't no such animal."

The city treasurer insists that the matter was none over at the Barrett-Siles hearing in 1912 and there was nothing, he said, he could add to it. "The trust funds referred to," said the treasurer, "do not exist. They have never been in existence in my time. They had disappeared long years before I took office here. The funds, as a matter of fact, never existed. The money, almost as soon as it was received was turned into the city treasury and taken right out again. Here are the books. They speak for themselves."

The books were passed over to The Sun man and there is no denying the fact that the books uphold the statement of the treasurer. They show that in March, 1871, the city of Lowell received from Nathan Crosby, E. P. Sherman and William H. Anderson, executors of the will of Thomas Nesmith, the sum of \$25,000 and \$1000. The acceptance was by a resolution of the city council and the very next year, and in the early part of the next year, the \$26,000 was used to meet a note owed the Salem Savings bank. Now, then, \$26,000 is accounted for.

We next arrive at the Jonathan Tyler fund, and in this case we find that in May, 1875, the city of Lowell received from the Jonathan Tyler estate the sum of \$10,000. In September of the same year the sum of \$7500 was transferred from the abatement of taxes account, by resolution, and that amount, together with the Jonathan Tyler fund of \$10,000, was used to pay a note of \$17,500 due the Mechanics Savings bank.

There wasn't any law in the olden days requiring that trust funds should be kept intact and Commissioner Carmichael remarked that if the law passed last year requiring that trust funds be kept intact had obtained when the funds were accepted by the city the chances are the funds would not have been accepted. The commissioner says there is nothing for the municipal council to do under the present circumstances but to borrow the money and restore the trust funds. "We will have to borrow the money," said the commissioner, "because the law says the funds must be restored."

In view of what has transpired, however, it behooves police officers to pursue the straight and narrow path while Col. James H. Carmichael is in the mayor's chair.

ANOTHER FINE RESIDENCE

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Four large boxes are being filled with clothing and other articles by the Middlesex Women's club and in the near future will be shipped to Belgium for the relief of the sufferers there. The boxes contain clothing of all kinds which has been solicited or turned over to the club to aid the Belgians.

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We carry a complete line of Richard Hadnut's, Roger & Gallet, Mary Garden, Hanson Jenks, Boujots, Vantines and Colgate's toilet goods.

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LEATHER GOODS

In this department may be found all the new numbers in Leather Goods—drinking cups, flasks, sewing baskets, collar bags, manicure sets, work boxes, garment hangers, jewel cases, party boxes, cigar cases, traveling rolls, music rolls, purses, card cases, etc., etc.

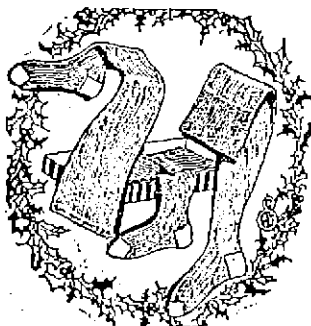
JEWELRY DEPARTMENT

In this department are found so many handsome Christmas gifts for everybody.

For Women and Misses—Bracelets, handy pins, lockets, brooch pins, hat pins, pendants, lavallieres, bar pins, rings, lingerie clasps, necklaces, cameo pins, gold beads, neck chains, eyeglass chains, pearl beads, etc., etc.

For Men and Boys—Cuff links, collar buttons, fobs, ribbon guards, scarf pins, signet rings, watch chains, lapel chains, tie holders, watches, full dress studs, etc., etc.

For the Baby—Pin sets, chains and lockets, rings, bib pins, bracelets, silver spoons, etc., etc.



EMBROIDERED INITIAL PILLOW CASES

Handstitched and scalloped, all the best letters in wreath effects. Each pair in box.....98c

Fine Hosiery For Xmas Gifts

Women's Hose—Silk Hosiery in black, white and colors, high spliced heel and double sole, elastic top, extra quality.....25c Pair
 Women's Hose—in fine silk and silk Hosiery, in black, white and tan, extra fine quality cotton with lavender tops. 3 Pairs in Xmas Box for.....\$1.00
 Women's Fine Silk and Fibre Silk Hose with tulle sole and garter top and all silk hose in black, white and colors. Priced.....49c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.49, \$2.98

Special in Novelty Silk Hosiery—All silk, Roman stripe top, striped sock effect and dark colored heel with light colored tops in a variety of new effects. Put up in Xmas boxes. Choice. \$1.00 Pair

CANDY DEPARTMENT

Chocolate covered Caramels. Chocolate covered Fudge. Chocolate covered Nut Crisps. Chocolate covered Raspberries. Chocolate Mellow Jell. Chocolate Delight. Friday and Saturday 29c

Useful Xmas Gifts in Waists, Undermuslin, Sweaters and Petticoats

Muslin Underwear

Corset Covers, daintily trimmed with fine lace and Hamburg. Priced.....49c and 69c
 Night Robes, trimmed with ribbons, laces and Hamburg. empire yoke front and back. Priced from.....69c to \$2.97
 Combinations in all the newest designs, corset cover and drawers, corset cover and skirt and long skirts, daintily trimmed, with yokes, clusters of insertions of lace and Hamburg modillions. Priced from.....69c to \$2.97
 Long White Petticoats, with shadow lace flounce and Hamburg insertion with ribbon trimmings. Priced.....97c
 Crepe de Chine Petticoats, trimmed with lace flounce and net underlay. Priced \$3.49 and \$3.97
 Embroidered White and Colored Flannellette Gowns, with ribbon trimmings. Priced.....69c and 97c

PUT UP IN CHRISTMAS BOXES

Waist Department

Roman Stripe Crepe Waists, in all the latest styles and colors. Priced.....97c
 White Silk Waists, \$1.00 values. Priced.....\$2.50
 White Wash Silk Waists, \$2.00 values. Priced \$1.97
 Silk Crepe de Chine Waists, in all the newest colors with high military collars. Priced.....\$3.97
 White Chiffon Crepe Waists, with colored silk vesties. Priced.....\$4.97
 Black and Colored Messaline Petticoats, priced from.....\$1.97 to \$4.97
 Black and Colored Jersey Top Petticoats, priced from.....\$1.97 to \$4.97
 Children's Norfolk Sweaters, in all the newest colors such as Havana, Russian green, navy and maroon. Priced.....\$2.97
 Women's White All Wool Shaker Knit Sweaters, V neck and roll collars. Priced \$2.97 and \$3.97
 Women's All Wool Sweaters, in navy, oxford and maroon. Priced.....\$1.97

CHALIFOUX'S TOY DEPARTMENT ON THE 3rd FLOOR

Our toy department is the scene of unusual activity. We have on this floor the finest line of Dolls, Toys, Books and Games ever shown in Lowell, including every conceivable toy, priced within the reach of everybody's pocketbook. Pay this department a visit, it will pay you.

Dressed Dolls that go to sleep, at.....25c

Dressed Dolls at.....50c

Dressed Dolls at.....\$1.00

Dressed Dolls at.....\$1.25

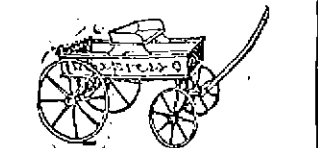
Dressed Dolls at.....\$1.75

Rocking Horses. Priced from \$1.39 to \$7.50

DOLLS



We carry a complete line of The Myxo Erector for all ages of boys. Its popularity is the wonder of the toy world. It has more parts and builds bigger models than any other toy of its kind on the market. Priced \$1.00 to \$10.00



Express Carts, all iron wheels, in four sizes. 98c, \$1.25, \$1.65 and \$3.50

Paints and Puzzle Blocks. Priced from.....10c to 98c

Police, Firemen and Soldier Toy Suits. Priced from 25c to 98c

Dressed Dolls at.....\$2.98

Dressed Dolls at.....\$3.98

Dressed Dolls at.....\$4.98

Undressed Dolls, exceptional values. Priced from.....25c to \$2.25

Richter Stone Blocks that build all sorts of designs. Priced 50c to \$4.00



WE HAVE A LARGE VARIETY OF BENCHES AND TOOL CHESTS FOR THE BOYS, ALL PRICES.

See demonstration by Santa Claus in our Merrimack Street Windows and then visit our third floor and inspect them more thoroughly.

Handkerchief Dept.

Women's Hand Drawn, Hemstitched, all pure Irish linen. Initial Handkerchiefs, with three beautiful floral designs, assorted. 12 dozen in a box for.....25c Each, \$1.50 Box

Women's Fine Linen Hemstitched with Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, three pretty floral designs, assorted, 1-2 dozen in a box, for.....75c Box

Women's Pure Linen Block Initial Handkerchiefs, extra fine quality, 1-2 dozen in box. 10c Each, 3 for 25c

Women's All Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, extra fine quality, 12c value, for.....12 1-2c

Women's Extra Fine Quality Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, either 1-4 or 1-2 inch hem, 25c value, for.....17c, 3 for 50c

Women's All Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, special value, for.....5c Each



Men's Pure Irish Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, extra quality initials, put up 1-2 dozen in a box, for.....12 1-2c Each, 75c Box
 Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, warranted pure Irish linen, put up 1-2 dozen in box. 25c Each, \$1.50 Box

SHOP EARLY

RUG DEPT.

If you are looking for a sensible present, something that will be useful, you should visit our drapery department for a few suggestions for holiday gifts.

Axminster Mats, 18 x 36, in a fine line of patterns.....98c
 Axminster Mats, 27 x 54, in Persian and floral designs. Priced \$1.98
 Axminster Rugs, 36 x 72, in a fine range of colors and patterns. Priced \$3.50
 Rug Rugs for the chamber or bath, 30x60. Priced \$1.00

CARPETS AND RUGS



Wilton Rugs, 27 x 54, all new patterns and colorings. Priced \$3.50

Wilton Rugs, 36 x 63, all Persian colors and designs. Priced \$5.50

Room Size Rugs, in all grades and sizes. Priced from \$7.00 to \$48.50

SMOKERS' ARTICLES

We have a large line of smokers' articles for this occasion and have priced them to move quickly.

Smoking Stands, in turned oak. Priced.....98c
 Smoking Tables, in turned oak. Priced.....\$1.25
 Smoking Stands with brass ash tray, cigar cutter and match holder. Priced.....\$2.25
 Smoking Tables with cigar box, tray and match holder, turned oak. Priced.....\$4.50
 Smoking Tables in turned oak with tobacco box and match holder. Priced.....\$5.25

A complete line of Smoking Stands, in turned oak and some in mahogany finish. Priced from 98c up to \$15.00
 Collarettes in turned oak. Priced from.....\$8.00 to \$13.50
 Brass Ash Trays Stands, priced.....69c
 Brass Ash Tray Stands, 27 inches with removable glass ash tray. Priced.....98c
 Brass Ash Tray Stands, 27 inches high. Priced.....\$2.25
 Ladies' Desks, in all finishes. Priced from.....\$3.98 to \$27.00
 Music Cabinets, in mahogany finish. Priced from.....\$6.95 to \$21.00

FOURTH FLOOR



TOY TRAINS and TRACKS complete from.....25c to \$2.98



MECHANICAL TOYS OF ALL KINDS. Priced from 25c to \$1.25

PIANOS



SHOP EARLY

DRAPERY DEPT.

TABLE COVERS IN ALL SIZES AND COLORS, MAKE AN IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFT

Table Covers, 1 yd. square in red, green and brown, priced.....38c to 98c
 Table Covers, 1-2 yds. square in all colors, priced.....85c to \$1.08
 Table Covers, 2 yds. square, priced.....\$1.30 to \$1.98
 Silk Mantle Scarfs, in plain colors and figured borders, all colors, priced.....\$1.30 to \$3.95
 We carry the largest line of covered pillows in Lowell
 Satton Covered Pillows, with ruffle to match. Priced.....98c
 Satton Covered Pillows, in both square and oblong, handsome designs priced.....\$1.25 to \$1.98
 Satton Covered Pillows, with wide ruffle in new designs and colorings. Priced.....\$1.00



THIRD FLOOR

Satin Covered Pillows, with cord edge—Estate design, priced.....\$1.49
 Silk Finish Top Pillows, with satin ruffle, priced.....\$2.25
 Covered Pillows, in all grades, priced.....89c to \$4.98
 We carry a full line of waste paper baskets and fancy work baskets, all new goods and the latest designs, priced.....25c to \$3.98
 We carry a complete line of arched and lace curtains in a wide range of colors and designs priced from 98c to \$21.00

FURNITURE DEPT.

Our furniture department has taken on a holiday appearance and offers some exceptional values for holiday gifts.

Rockers in oak and mahogany finish, cobble seat. Specially priced at.....\$1.75
 Rockers in oak and mahogany finish, good substantial chairs. Priced at.....\$2.50 Other Rockers up to.....\$17.50

Rockers in oak and mahogany finish, extra large and roomy. Priced at.....\$3.95



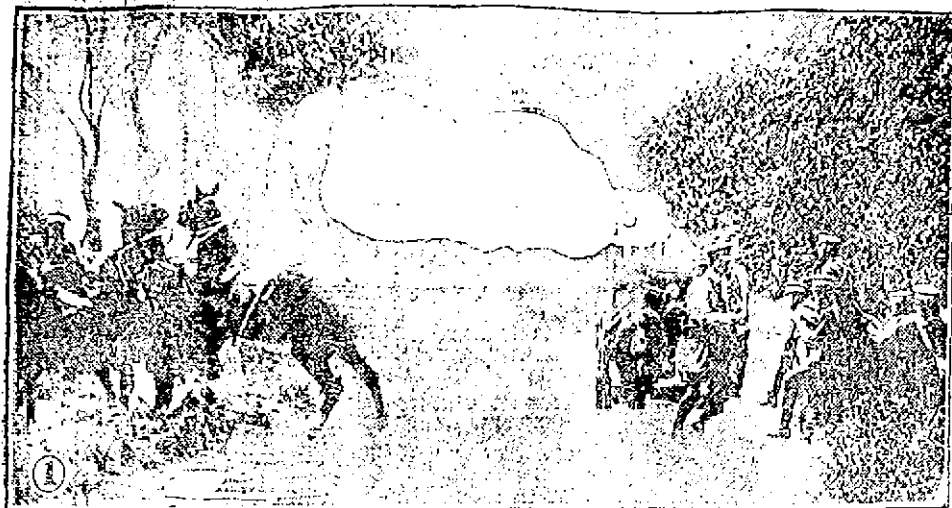
HORSES and CARTS 25c Up

IRON TOYS OF ALL KINDS. Priced from.....25c to 98c

BOOKS OF ALL KINDS. Priced from.....5c to 50c



REAL WAR PICTURES WITH SMOKE AND DEATH IN THEM RIGHT FROM FRONT AT FLANDERS



1. ENGLISH ARTILLERY FIRING IN FLANDERS. 2. BELGIAN OUTPOST IN ACTION. (C) 1914 BY AMERICAN PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPANY

English artillery is shown firing at the front in Flanders in the upper picture. Notice the horses frightened by the noise. The gun is firing from an open space in the woods and the shells take effect four miles away. The Flanders battle is at present mostly an artillery duel on a big scale. The lower picture shows Belgian soldiers at an outpost firing at the German positions. One of the Belgians has been killed.

ON SPECIAL ELECTION 2 BROTHERS SENTENCED BODY FOUND IN POND

PITTSFIELD CITY SOLICITOR SAYS IT CANNOT BE HELD UNTIL THE COUNCIL DECLARES VACANCY

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 11.—City Solicitor Fallon has given an opinion as to whether this year's aldermen may legally order a special election to fill a vacancy in the 1915 common council caused by a tie in ward 7 at the election.

The opinion is that such action cannot be taken because of the peculiar wording of section 5 of the city charter, and that the election must be deferred until the council declares a vacancy in its membership. The city solicitor could not find record of a similar case in this state.

The city solicitor's opinion would indicate that the democrats will control the election of the president and the clerk of the council next year.

FRANCISCO LUIZZA GETS 10 TO 15 YEARS FOR KILLING PETER TITONE

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Francisco P. Luizza of Framingham was sentenced to serve from 10 to 15 years in state prison after pleading guilty to the killing of Peter Titone in Framingham July 22.

His brother, Giuseppe, who was also charged with the killing, received a sentence of six months, and the case against a third brother, Balasari, was not pressed by Assistant District Attorney O'Donnell.

The prosecution alleges that the three brothers killed Titone in a quarrel over cards and alleged that Francesco did the actual shooting. Following the shooting, Francesco slipped away and was not located until into this fall when he was captured in Brooklyn, N. Y. His brothers were arrested, following the shooting affray.

PROVIDENCE MAN ILL AND OUT OF WORK COMMITS SUICIDE IN ROGER WILLIAMS PARK

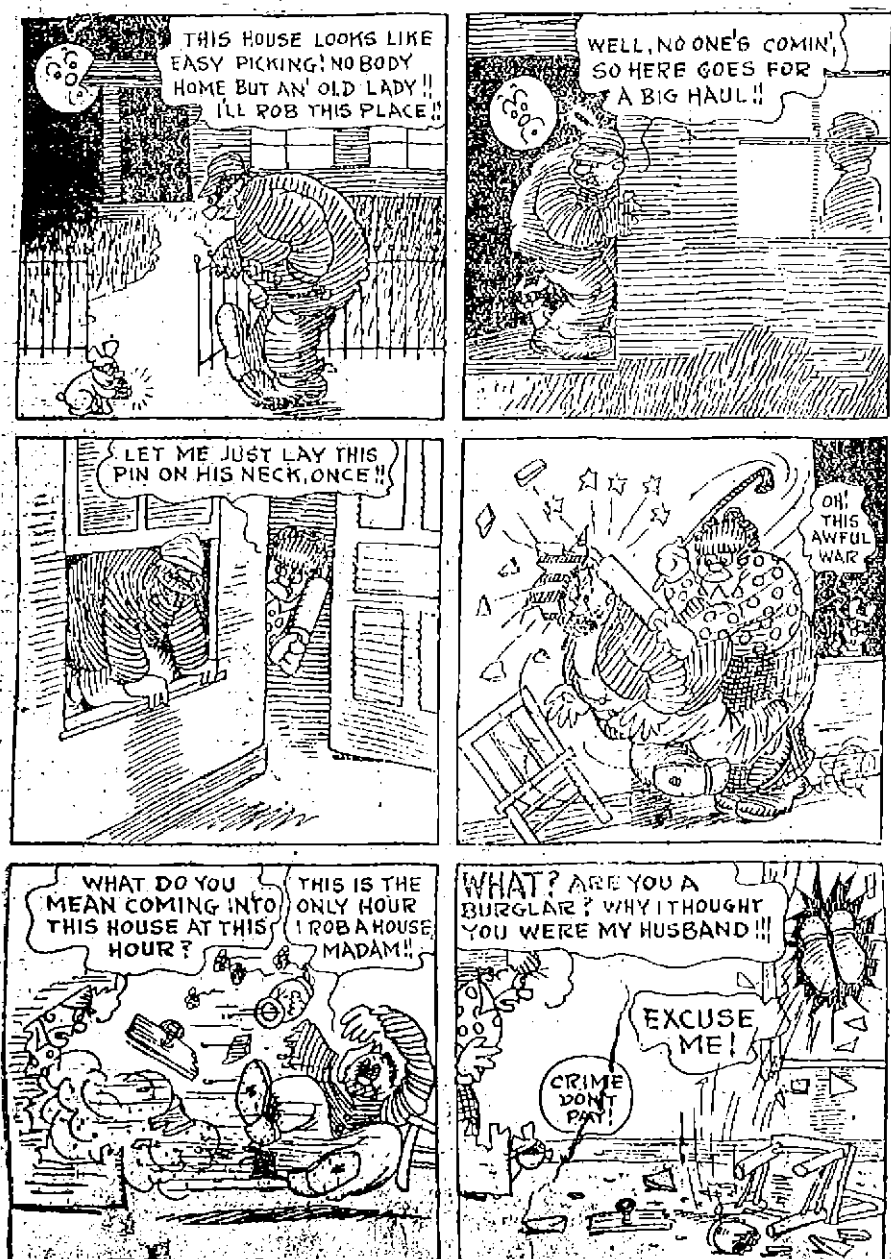
PROVIDENCE, Dec. 11.—A man's body found floating in a pond in Roger Williams park was identified yesterday afternoon as that of Anton Larson, 53 years old, of 60 Dabcock street.

The man leaves a wife and three children. He has been in poor health and out of employment for some time. He went out Wednesday in search of work and, becoming despondent, decided to end his life. The authorities believe, Medford Examiner A. H. Longfellow pronounced death due to suicide.

SALE OF HANDWORK

This evening and tomorrow afternoon the Christmas club of the Essex school, composed of children of the eighth grade, will hold an exhibition and sale of handwork in Kilson hall at the Y. W. C. A. A short concert will be given Friday evening and there will be other attractions.

EXCUSE ME



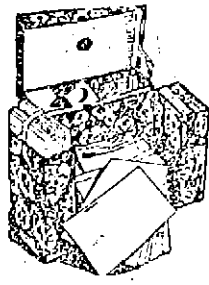
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GIFTS
Safety Razors
Gillette, 50c up
Ever-Ready, 1.00

RIKER-JAYNES

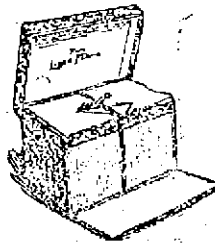
RELIABLE DRUG STORE SERVICE

Stationery in Christmas Boxes

A box of good Stationery is always a desirable gift. The line of Holiday Box Stationery we are offering this year is unquestionably the finest to be found anywhere.



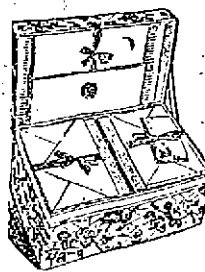
A CABINET containing 48 sheets of exceptionally fine quality paper and 18 Gold Edge Cards with envelopes to match. Box has separate compartments and makes an unusually attractive gift. \$1



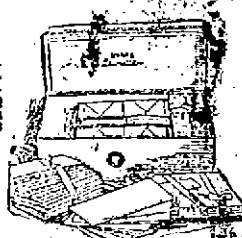
A very attractive box containing 24 sheets of very choice quality cloth surface writing paper and 24 cards with 48 of the very latest style flap envelopes to match. 50c



ONE of the best values to be obtained in a holiday Box of Stationery—contains 48 sheets of nice quality cloth surface writing paper and 48 envelopes to match. 25c



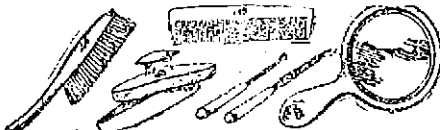
CABINET of 48 sheets of high grade fabric finish writing paper and two dozen gold edge correspondence cards. 75c



HURDS Stationery is conceded by all good judges to be always correct in every respect—there is nothing better—we are showing a very fine assortment of its Holiday Specialties in prices ranging from, per box, 50c TO 4.00

IVORY PYRALIN

"The Toiletware Beautiful"



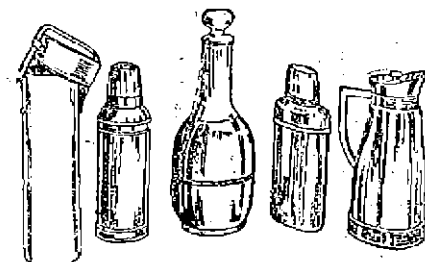
A GIFT THAT WILL APPEAL TO EVERY WOMAN

Its alluring beauty lends enchantment to my lady's toilet table. Different designs to meet every requirement.

Brushes.....	88c to 4.98	Combs.....	25c to 98c
Pair Boxes.....	42c to 2.69	Mirrors.....	98c to 5.49
Jewel Boxes.....	2.98 to 4.98	Cream Boxes.....	29c to 1.49
Manicure Instruments.....	29c upwards	Hair Receivers.....	49c to 2.39
Pin and Trinket Boxes.....	98c to 4.98	Hat Pin Holders.....	79c upwards
Shoe Horns.....	69c upwards	Manicure Sets.....	2.49 to 3.49
Trays.....	29c to 2.49	Picture Frames.....	79c to 1.69
Complete Sets.....	4.49 to 8.19	Soap Boxes.....	25c to 49c
Cloth Brushes.....	1.19 to 2.63	Talcum Boxes.....	49c to 69c
Military Brushes, pair.....	2.98 to 5.49	Nail Buffers.....	63c to 1.59
		Nail Files.....	29c to 49c
		Pin Cushions.....	49c to 1.98
		Clocks.....	1.49 to 3.49

THERMOS WARE

THE BEAUTIFUL, USEFUL AND INEXPENSIVE
CHRISTMAS GIFT

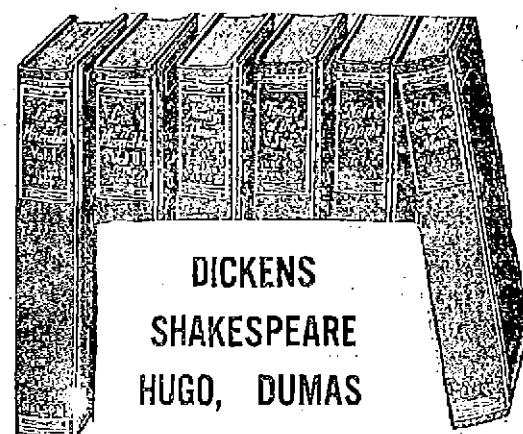


Bottles, pts.....	1.00 to 3.00	Decanters.....	5.00
Bottles, qts.....	2.00 to 4.00	Food Jars.....	1.75 to 10.00
Carafes.....	3.50 to 5.00	Lunch Kits.....	2.25 to 4.50
Flasks.....	4.00 to 6.00	Coffee Pots.....	5.00

AN ASSORTMENT OF

FOUR BEAUTIFUL SETS OF THE

World's Most Popular Authors



DICKENS
SHAKESPEARE
HUGO, DUMAS

Each set comprises the most popular works of these famous authors:

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A Tale of Two Cities
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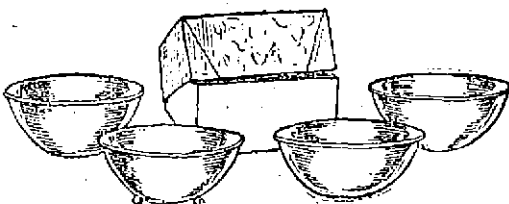
Monte Christo, Vol. I
Monte Christo, Vol. II
The Three Musketeers
Twenty Years After
The Queen's Necklace
Marguerite de Valois

By Victor Hugo as illustrated above.

Historical Plays, 2 Vols. Comedies, 2 Vols.
Tragedies and Poems, 2 Vols.

By William Shakespeare

Each set consists of six volumes. These books are printed and bound by the celebrated press of Thos. Nelson & Sons, Edinburgh, Scotland. They are in large, clear type, on specially thin opaque Bible paper and handsomely bound in red, each set boxed. 1.18



Individual Ash Trays

In sets of four. These little trays give you individual receptacles for ashes. Just the thing for a table or around the den. They fit into each other and when not in use take up little space. They are a \$1.00 value, but by buying the entire stock of the maker we can offer them for 50c

DURHAM DUPLUX DOMINO RAZOR

The original \$5.00 outfit, consisting of the razor, with American handle, six blades and strop. Complete. 1.00

TRAVELLING SET

An all-round travelling case. Black or red leather case, more silk lining, containing 12 articles, with Ivory Pyralin fittings. Just the thing for motor trips, week-ends, short journeys, etc. 7.50

HAMEKINS



Made similar to the casseroles, without the cover, in two sizes, an "out of the ordinary and practical gift. 35c AND 50c

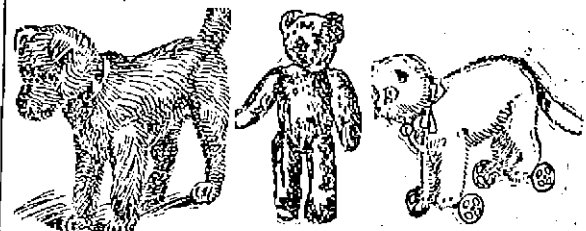
INDIVIDUAL CASSEROLE



Made of the famous Guernsey cooking ware, with a silver-plated stand. They offer one of the most useful gifts that can possibly be thought of. Each. 75c

Imported Plush Toys

Our own direct importations direct from the factory of Margarete Steiff in Germany. The Finest Plush Toys Made. We feel that we are headquarters for these toys, as we were the largest individual importers of them.



DOGS

From 1.15 to 1.75

TEDDY BEARS

From 59c to 7.49

CATS

From 87c to 1.57

And many other kinds, all of the best quality and at our usual low prices.

Celebrated Dolls.....12c to 1.75
Dolls that say "Mama," each.....98c

FLASHLIGHTS

Make Most
Acceptable Gifts

Indispensable to policemen, firemen, autoists, physicians, etc. We have them in all styles and sizes, from 49c TO 2.49

"Meccano"

A New Toy Every Day

You can build 62 "Meccano" models with the No. 1 outfit, at..... 2.00
Others outfits up to 10.00

Parker Lucky Curve FOUNTAIN PENS

At 1-3 Off Regular Prices

\$1.50 Pens.....	98c	\$3.00 Pens.....	\$1.98
\$2.00 Pens.....	\$1.33	\$3.50 Pens.....	\$2.33
\$2.50 Pens.....	\$1.69	\$4.00 Pens.....	\$2.69

TRADE AT RIKERS

For a complete line of
Holiday presents.

14 Stores in Boston, 100 Stores in the United States
119-123 MERRIMACK STREET
RIKER-JAYNES DRUG STORE
You are SAFE when you buy at Riker-Jaynes

ILASOL

Keeps the face and hands
soft and smooth.....25c

EDISON IS UNDAUNTED

HAD NO INSURANCE BECAUSE COMPANY ONCE ISSUED HIM HIS SAYS

WEST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 11.—Thomas A. Edison, after planning all night the rebuilding of his factories swept by fire, went to sleep yesterday afternoon, and Mrs. Edison saw to it that he was not disturbed. When he awoke he said with a chuckle and a sigh:

"It's just another experience of mine as a rule, are not so expensive." "What would you estimate the loss to be, Mr. Edison?" "I think about \$2,000,000," answered the inventor.

"No, I didn't have any insurance. I understand, though, that the boys had placed some insurance on two frame buildings; I don't know how much." By "the boys" he meant the men associated with him, some of them of nearly his own age. He went on: "I'll tell you how I felt about insurance. A good many years ago I owned a factory that we decided to abandon. It was insured. Renewal of insurance was refused. The company said that abandoning the factory raised a 'moral issue' as to the insurance."

"What they meant and made clear was that they thought I might set that abandoned factory afire to get the insurance. Well, I just made up my mind that never hereafter would any one get a chance to raise 'moral issue' about my business."

The ends in the corners of his mouth deepened and his eyes, which had flashed for an instant, became thoughtful as he continued:

"The big lesson of this has been the value of concrete construction. My buildings are gutted but there they stand ready for refitting."

"One error revealed was in not using steel window sashes and trim, and

wired glass that withstands great heat. We will certainly have to use that fin- heneforth. My good friend, Henry Ford, tells me that all his automobile factories have this steel trim and wired glass."

"My own water system would have saved had not the electric wires been wrecked by the fire. We were pumping 600 to 800 gallons a minute when the wires went."

The inventor passed a moment, bowing his gray head and folding his hands. Then he looked up and said with a twinkle:

"My workshop is saved. The place

where I spend my money is all right, but the place where I make it is all gone."

Placed with his epigram, he laughed a little and then added:

"That's the way it goes. This is the second time I've lost \$2,000,000 in a lump. I once sank that much in a plant at Edison, N. J. It's all in the game. I like the game. It will take a whole lot more than this to stop me."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

A NICE CHRISTMAS GIFT

"Oh, Marie, I am quite destitute. I have only \$5 and I must buy nuptial and father's Christmas presents with that," sighed Marjorie.

"Why not make them something pretty? I am sure they would appreciate a product of your needle-work more than anything you could buy in a shop," answered Marie.

"But what could I make?" questioned Marjorie, falteringly.

"Well, I should think a beautiful little silk work-bag that could be used for holding a small quantity of sewing would be good," suggested Marie.

"Just the thing. Why it was only yesterday that my chum's mother wrapped her sewing up in paper to carry over to a friend's house, and I am sure she would like a work-bag," Marjorie replied enthusiastically.

"I think Madame would be pleased, too, as she does not own one, and if you like I will tell you how to make it. First it is best to hunt the bargain counters for short ends of silk and ribbon. Choose something of a Dresden or a Persian design and line it with a plain color," answered Marie.

"Now to make the work-bag follow

these directions. From the brocade ribbon five inches in width cut five

inch sections two inches wide at the greatest diameter. Then cut five more sections from gathering thread through each side of the plain section and draw them tightly until the section measures ten inches long."

"Join the sections, using silk until the bag is complete following the points to fall free from within three inches of the top."

Line the bag with plain silk and run two rows of stitching three and one-half inches apart. Through this thread draw strings together with silk tassels.

"The brocade ribbon used for this bag is of tapestry blue, broadened in a design of white and gold, the plain ribbon is a paler tint of blue, and the tassels are blue and white. Blue and gold color, pink and old rose, and pink and pale blue are effective combinations for this bag."

"Oh, I am so anxious to begin them that I think I will go now and I think you a thousand times, you have saved my life," laughed Marjorie.

BARRIOS DIAMONDS

We have purchased the entire stock of Barrios Diamonds from the Harding Co., Inc., 507 Washington St., Boston, Mass., that they formerly sold from \$1.50 to \$4.50. Our price 50c. This is the chance of a life time.

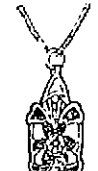

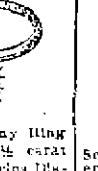


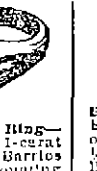
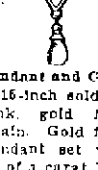
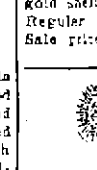
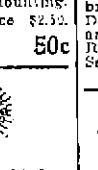


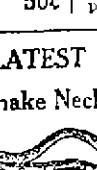
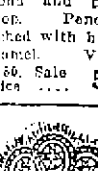
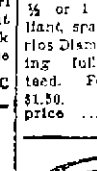
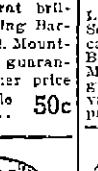
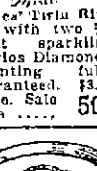
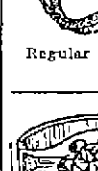
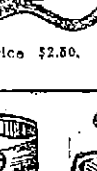
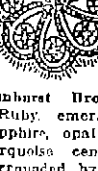
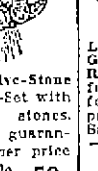
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MILFORD, Dec. 11.—While answering an alarm yesterday, hose 2 skidded at the corner of Depot and Central streets and upset, throwing five fire-

men to the street. Driver Edward Duggan kept hold of the reins and saved a runaway. Perley Jeffrey was struck a glancing blow by the wagon and sustained a sprained ankle and bruises of the body.

Duggan, Harold Trudell, Lester Reed and Christopher McMahon were the others upset, but none suffered more than bruises. The fire was a slight blaze in the house owned by Michael Lerner, aged 23, of 2 Blake street, Abington.

DAVID LERNER A SUICIDE

WORCESTER EXPECTANT BRIDE-GROOM BECOMES DESPONDENT ON LOSING MONEY

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—Despondent over the fact, it is said, that he had no money for his marriage, which he had planned to take place soon, David Lerner, aged 23, of 2 Blake street, committed suicide last night by inhaling gas at his home.

He was found fully dressed on his bed by his mother, who thought at first he had fainted. She summoned Police Surgeon Joseph A. Smith, who applied the pulmonary in an attempt to save the young man's life.

Lerner had carefully removed the cap from the gas jet and then lain down on the bed. He left several letters, now in the hands of the police. Two weeks ago the money Lerner had saved for his wedding was stolen by a roommate.

NATIONAL LEAGUE BASEBALL MAGNATES HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING IN NEW YORK CITY



NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The meeting of the owners and managers of the National league brought out a larger attendance than usual because of the important questions to be discussed and the desire of various managers to make trades that would strengthen their teams. Standing, left to right, Robert H. Davis, Boston; Harry Ackerman, Chicago; Edward J. McKeever, Brooklyn; John C. Poole, Boston; Stephen McKeever, Brooklyn; John Heydler, secretary; John B. Foster, New York; Harry Stephens, Cincinnati. Seated, left to right, S. P. Britton, St. Louis; Harry N. Hempstead, New York; James Gaffey, Boston; J. J. Tener, president; August Herrmann, Cincinnati; Charles H. Ebbets, Brooklyn; Barney Dreyfuss, Pittsburgh; C. R. Thomas, Chicago, and William F. Baker, Philadelphia.

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Golf Jackets, heavy shaker knit, some with collars \$3.00, \$5.00, \$6.00
Umbrellas, cotton or silk bodies, smart handles, \$1.00 to \$5.00

Shirts for dress or business. Manhattan and our own special label shirts. \$1.00, \$1.50 up to \$3.50
Neckwear, woven, knitted and crocheted silks, 25c, 50c up to \$2.00
Gloves, unlined, wool lined and fur lined, \$1.15, \$1.50 up to \$5.00
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Handkerchiefs, lawn, linen or silk initialled or plain \$12 1-2c, 25c, 50c
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SEC. HOUSTON'S REPORT

Says New Bank Law Takes Just and Particular Knowledge of Farmers' Requirements

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—That there is no emergency which justifies government assistance to farmers directly through the use of government cash or credit, was the position taken by Secretary Houston of the department of agriculture, in discussing rural credits in his annual report submitted yesterday to President Wilson. Secretary Houston's statement was regarded as indicating the policy of the administration.

Secretary Houston pointed out that the new bank law "takes just and particular knowledge of the farmer's requirements." He suggested that any credit needs of the agricultural community beyond those cared for under the federal reserve law should be cared for by a system of "cooperative credit associations," financed with private funds, by means of which the combined credit of farming communities could be utilized, and by a system of land mortgage banks, likewise, privately capitalized.

"There seems to be no emergency which requires or justifies government assistance to the farmers directly through the use of the government's cash or the government's credit," said the report. "The American farmer is sturdy, self-reliant and independent. He is not in the condition of serfdom or semi-serfdom in which were the European peoples from whom government aid was extended in some form or other during the last century."

In advocating a land mortgage banking system and a system of cooperative credit associations, the report asserted that the use of the funds loaned for productive purposes on the farms covered by the mortgages should be insisted upon.

Marketing System
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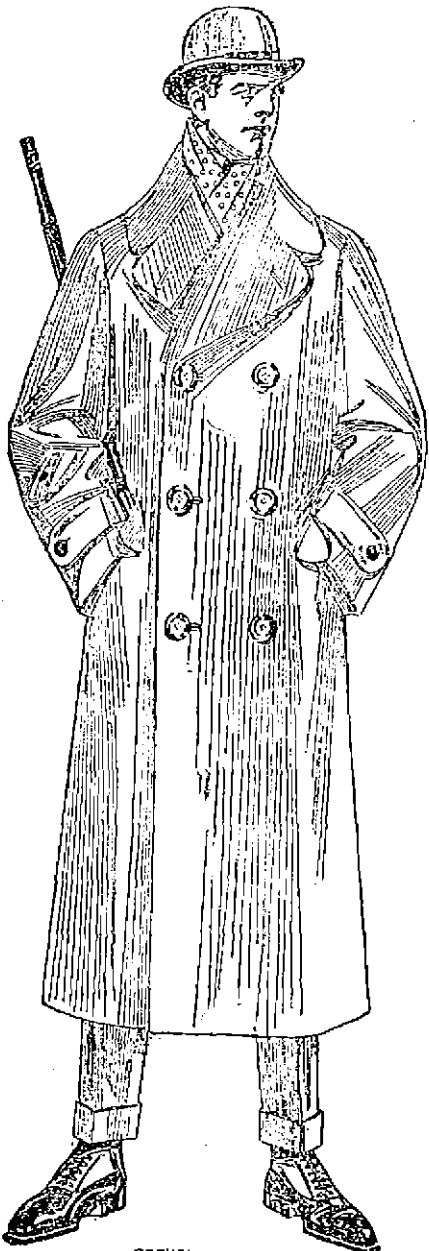
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Malden Man Escapes
WILLIAM CLARK RUSHES IN NIGHT CLOTHES FROM BURNING HOUSE AT SALEM, MAINE
—SACD, Dec. 11.—William Clark, aged 65 years, of Malden, Mass., who has been living alone in a 14-story farmhouse owned by Arthur Deering of Malden, escaped in his night clothes when the building was burned to the ground yesterday.

He was awakened by the glare of flames. The front room was on fire, and the others were fast filling with smoke. He grabbed his clothing and started to escape. He was blinded by the smoke and it was with difficulty that he groped his way to the kitchen and to the dooryard.

Although the temperature was near freezing, and the wind was blowing a gale, Mr. Clark dressed in the yard. There were no houses within a quarter of a mile. He was able to secure a fire of his belongings, but the fire finally drove him back. He was standing in the yard watching the fire when Arthur Querin, a milkman, drove by. He gave the alarm, and James W. Fenderson telephoned to the central fire station. The buildings were far when the firemen arrived. The fire communicated with the grass and was racing toward a timber lot when

stopped by the fireman.

The loss on the building and contents is \$500, with no insurance. Mr. Clark will return to Malden.

CHINESE CROWD COURT
EXTRA PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT TROUBLE IN BOSTON—MEMBERS OF RIVAL TONGS IN SITU
BOSTON, Dec. 11.—An echo of the war between the Chinese factions known as the Hop Sing Tong and the On Leong Tong, which culminated in a murderous attack on Oxford place a few years ago, followed by the execution of three Chinese for murder in the

first degree and life imprisonment for the instigator of the crime, was heard yesterday in a trial begun before Judge Wentworth in the municipal civil court.

The courtroom and the corridor were crowded by Chinese, and the court officers, with the Oxford place tragedy in mind, took extra precautions to guard against an outbreak.

The suit under consideration was brought by Harry Yee Sung Tang, a laundryman, against Yee Gow Tse, of 31 Harrison avenue, and the plaintiff is seeking \$2000 for an alleged false arrest, made as he claims at the instance of Tse.

Tang is a member of the Hop Sing Tong, and Tse belongs to the On Leong Tong.

He had Tang arrested on July 11 last on a charge of larceny of \$575, which Tse said he let Tang have to buy a laundry in Lynn. In the municipal criminal court Tang was found not guilty and discharged.

Tang testified before Judge Wentworth yesterday that the trouble between him and Tse arose out of Tang's going to Tse's grocery store and buying induced to gamble. After the game was over Tse claimed that Tang owed

him \$100, and later, as Tang claims, Tse offered, if Tang would pay him \$50, to make no trouble about it.

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BRIG. GEN. MILLS' REPORT ROUT OF THE AUSTRIANS

Says "In No State is Prescribed Servians Score Victory—London Peace Strength of Organiza- Admits Advance of Germans in tions of Militia Maintained" Direction of Warsaw

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—In a report on the prescribed strength of organizations of militia maintained, and in many instances the deficiency has reached such a figure as to leave the corresponding organizations such as name only, organizations of no value as a military asset to the federal government.

This is the way Brig. Gen. Mills, chief of the division of militia affairs of the war department, characterizes the citizen soldiery of the country in his annual report today.

General Mills points out that his criticism is entirely impartial and is made for the sole purpose of setting forth an accurate statement of existing conditions with the view and in the hope of leading to a needed reform. One method of providing this reform is to be found, in general Mills' opinion, in the passage of a bill for the compensation of the militia by the federal government.

Reliance on the returns of adjutants general of the states rendered at the end of the last calendar year, General Mills finds that an examination reveals the fact that the organized militia as a whole is deficient in strength and that this deficiency reaches the serious figure of nearly 15,000 men or an approximate equivalent of the infantry

competent of a complete infantry division at war strength. It will show that more than 60 per cent of the infantry and cavalry companies, 70 per cent of the coast artillery companies and practically all of the field artillery batteries are below the prescribed minimum and in all cases the former lower than prescribed minimum is referred to.

At the close of the last fiscal year the militia consisted of 119,251 enlisted men and 6,752 officers. Due to the operation of the requirements of the much-controverted "Circular number 8," the enlisted men were increased by 552 over the preceding year, while there was a reduction in officers numbering 335.

Circular number 8 sustained by the local authorities of the war department called for the reduction of the number of generals and other higher officers in the militia to a number corresponding with the total enlisted strength.

Gen. Mills reiterates his plea for the creation of militia reserves, pointing out the inevitable delay that would hamper the country in the event of an inability to obtain recruits unless a trained reserve exists from which to supply the needed increase.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The reported rout of the Austrian forces in Serbia, the borders of which country they crossed triumphantly just two weeks ago, together with the steady advance of the German centre in the direction of Warsaw on this, the third German invasion of Russian Poland, dominate the war news from the east and west today.

After occupying Lodz, the Germans have been pushing to the northeast toward Warsaw and one despatch from Petrograd estimates that they are only 15 miles from the Polish capital, while another message from Petrograd, speculating on the possible fall of Warsaw, minimizes the importance of such an event, saying it should be regarded as a strategic operation on the part of the Russians rather than a decided German victory. A similar view was expressed when the Russians retired from Lodz.

Although conceding in effect the progress of the German center, the Russians, judging from despatches reaching London, contend that the tide is running in their favor in the sanguinary fighting south of Cracow, where combined Austro-German forces are endeavoring to move northward. They declare, moreover, that they are holding in check the German forces pushing down toward Warsaw from East Prussia.

It would appear today that the Serbian retreat before the Austrians some weeks ago was in reality a movement for strategic purposes. Their sharp return blow, if the Polish reports are to be accepted, has been extraordinarily effective. After sustaining enormous losses, the Austrians are being rapidly driven to the northwest in the direction of their own borders.

In the western arena of the conflict the allies are applying pressure against the whole German line in France and Belgium and while they appear to be making slight advances they have not as yet taken advantage of the transfer of German forces to the east to essay a general advance.

Emperor William is better, according to a report reaching here from Berlin, but he appears still to be confined to his room.

The British admiralty remains silent concerning the reported German submarine raid on Dover yesterday morning and the public today is speculating as to whether over-zealous correspondents were not partly responsible for this episode.

Indignation in Norway and Sweden against the seizure by Germany of vessels loaded with food, is growing. The menace of mines also is occupying the public attention and on this latter point appeals are being made to Berlin.

TO CURE BOY OF CRIME

COURT CONSENTS TO SURGICAL OPERATION ON SKULL URGED BY YOUNG ROBBER'S FATHER

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11.—Charles L. Borton, a Germantown contractor, decided yesterday to risk his fourteen-year-old son's life in a surgical operation in an effort to cure the boy's criminal tendencies. Judge Gorman consented after sentencing the boy to the Glen Mills school for committing many robberies. The sentence was withdrawn, pending the operation.

The boy, J. Willard Borton, is under observation in the psychopathic ward of the General Hospital. The operation will be performed early next week.

It is intended to remove a depression in the boy's skull, disclosed by an X-ray examination.

"I am convinced," said the father, "that my son's actions have been influenced by this depression. When he was six years old his head was injured, and his waywardness dates from period. I believe he does not know right from wrong. Specialists have told me the boy is not crim-

ADMITTED TO THE BAR

TIMOTHY E. BYRNES, FORMER VICE-PRESIDENT OF NEW HAVEN ROAD, NOW A LAWYER

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Timothy E. Byrnes, former vice-president of the New Haven road, was today admitted to the Massachusetts bar by Justice Pierce of the supreme court. Mr. Byrnes has been studying law since his retirement from railroad management.

EXPULSED FROM MEXICO

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 11.—Thomas Brant, member of a wealthy Mexican family, has been expelled from Mexico because he extended financial and political assistance to the Huerta government. He is aboard the Spanish liner Reina Maria Christina, bound for Havana.

DR. SAMUEL CHURCH DEAD

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Dr. Samuel Church, said to be the oldest graduate of Trinity college and also the oldest member of the Alpha Delta fraternity, died at his home here yesterday, aged 94 years.

ATHLETES AND ATHLETICS

The hockey players are out in full force in Boston and prospects for the busiest season yet are in sight. It will be some time, however, before the teams which do not have the privilege of the arena will find slaps.

There is some talk at Cambridge of dropping Princeton from the Harvard schedule next year. The panning which was handed the Harvard coaches after that 20-0 game was not relished any more than it was deserved.

That looks like a real wrestling journey down in Melchies. Tonight, at least, the wrestling fans in Boston seem to look upon it as a treat. Three of the four bouts on the lists are finish affairs so that the going ought to be fast throughout.

If Harvard should drop Princeton it is quite probable that Dartmouth will take the place of the Tigers. A Harvard-Dartmouth game, now, would prove even a bigger drawing card than in bygone days when these two eleven met.

The Lowell basketball team, comprised of Burley Lew, Jimmy Grant, Frank McPherson, Jimmy Cole and a player from Nahant named Mulvaney, have been cleaning up in their games since organizing a short time ago. Tuesday night this quintet defeated the fast Lacota, N. H. team and Wednesday night the previously undefeated Franklin, N. H. team was trimmed by the local boys.

Charley Sheppard attempted to "hold up" Matchmaker Crilly last

night at the Lawrence club. It is said. There was a big hitch in proceedings just before the Mangelsheppard bout went on. Sheppard finally appeared, however, and the row was on. Crilly asserted that Sheppard would never again appear at his district entertainments.

Dr. Sharpey the Cornell coach, comes across with a word of praise for Frank Hinkley, the head of the Yale coaching staff. It's quite a change to hear a good word spoken for Hinkley. The great Yale end of former years, although abused by even his own classmates for the overwhelming defeat of Harvard this year, has taken his medicine without a word. Hinkley is very liable to surprise some of his detractors next season.

The reason why the people of California voted down the banking bill was probably an account of the nervousness displayed by greedy promoters. There is no doubt but what the fighters, managers and promoters brought the blow upon themselves. We all remember the Clabby-Murray row which was declared a draw after Clabby had done everything but shoot Murray.

Ban Johnson has decided to fight out the Walter Johnson case in the courts. The American league proxy states emphatically that there's going to be something done when the case comes to trial. Well, we've heard all that many times before. Ban has certainly suffered a severe case of federalitis within the last few days. Johnson, Plank, Bender—three pretty fair pitchers, aren't they?

BOYLE GETS DRAW

Local Featherweight in Even Break With Sailor Smiley

Phinney Boyle of this city and Sailor Smiley of the navy boxed 12 rounds to a draw at the Unity Cycle club in Lawrence last night before a small house. The bout was not of the feather variety.

Boyle did not look like the same boy who gave Al Shubert such a hard battle last winter. The Lowell boy was now a more mature and powerful fighter. Let Smiley do all the leading. On this account the sailor was entitled to the best of a hair line decision. Although the decision was not a real one, Smiley is one of the better boys in type and kept at Boyle with both hands. The majority of his blows were sent to the body of the local boy. Boyle, as usual, possessed a very effective left jab which beat a tattoo upon the countenance of the sailor.

The ten-round semi-win-draw between Charley Sheppard and Jack Mansfield ended in a draw. Sheppard proved a big disappointment to the fans for it was expected that he would show his opponent a rare combination of boxing and boxing. Mansfield's left hand kept him bothered throughout the bout, however, and earned him an even break.

ON THE ALLEYS

First Prize: Taylor 253, Harris 253, Taylor 257, C. Taylor 257, Graham 257, S. Willis 257; totals 1312.

First Prize: Davis 264, Woodman 265, Turner 265, Johnson 265, Chapman 265; totals 1325.

Calvary Baptist—Davis 274, Stewart 276, Sub 255, Sub 263, Perrin 277; totals 1324.

Immanuel Baptist—Kenney 256, Pauly 257, Paulsen 257, Whitelock 305, Munson 307; totals 1425.

Collins' Pops—Raynolds 273, Deak 274, Burns 280, Clancy 256, Kiran 266; totals 1378.

Wanderers—Gale 253, Phelps 273, Golden 265, Mullen 268, Murphy 261; totals 1321.

H. & S.—Jodoin 274, Halkenney 276, Hilde 265, Whalen 254, McDermott 322; totals 1431.

H. Bantling—Riley 268, Smith 263, Lane 262, Burr 262, Buckley 272; totals 1324.

Saunders—Ross 263, Donnelly 249, Rodgers 265, Harley 251, Campbell 260; totals 1291.

Butchers—Rogers 253, Quinn 260, Sub 237, McKenzie 263, Davis 278; totals 1231.

Chaffee—Walker 268, Frazer 276, Roling 273, Soucis 243, Church 247; totals 1304.

Sloux—Gum 240, Marshall 258, Paul 254, Johnson 257, Sub 210; totals 1220.

BOWS TO U. S. DEMAND

GUTIERREZ ORDERS GOV. MAYTORENA TO CONFINE HIS FIRE WITHIN MEXICAN BORDERS

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 11.—Provisional President Gutierrez has ordered Governor Maytorena, commanding his forces at Naco, to avoid operations altogether. If he cannot confine his fire within Mexican borders, Consul Stillman at Mexico City reported the provisional president's action today, which undoubtedly was in response to yesterday's urgent representations from Washington.

The manager of the Tehuantepec railroad, an English corporation, has received notice of a decree from General Carranza whereby the constitutionalists take charge of the railroad, according to today's official advices.

Dr. Julio Villareal, general secretary of the Mexican Red Cross, has been arrested upon his arrival at Vera Cruz from Europe. The state department has directed representations in his behalf.

IMPORTANT RAILROAD DECISION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—It was held by the federal court today that the decision today that where an existing

freight rate was just and reasonable, any disagreement among carriers in respect to division of the charge "ought not to impose upon shippers, an increased burden."

The question arose when the Michigan Central cancelled its through rate and milling in transit arrangement on grain and dried beans with the Detroit & Mackinac railroad, thereby increasing the rates of those commodities to New York City and other eastern destinations approximately 20 per cent. The cancellation resulted from a difference between the two roads as to a division of the rates. The commission permanently suspended the cancellation.

SCHOOL RECEIVES \$200,000

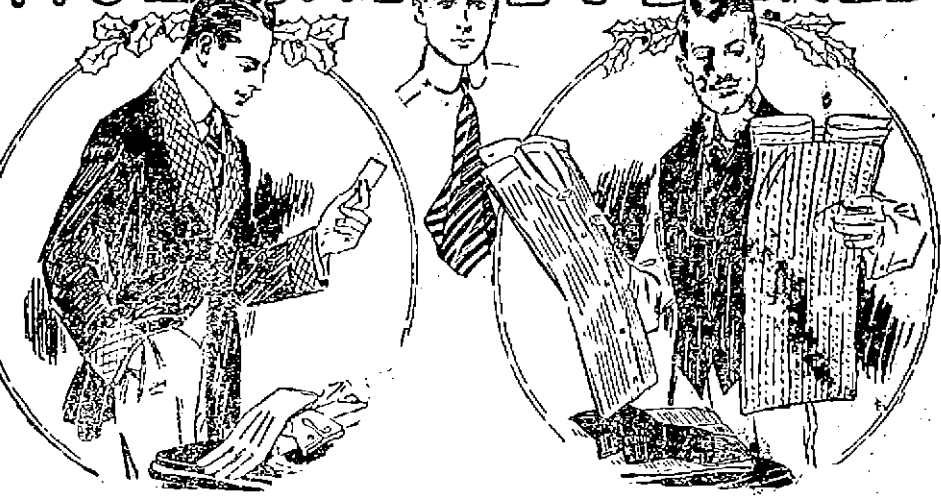
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WANTS TO HOLD TROOPS

GOVERNOR OF COLORADO INFORMS PRESIDENT THAT HE WOULD KEEP TROOPS ON DUTY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President Wilson today received a telegram from Governor Ammons of Colorado saying he did not think it advisable to withdraw all the federal troops from the strike districts at this time.

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DEATH SHOCKS FRIENDS

REP. SERENO PAYNE DIED WITHOUT FRIEND OR RELATIVE

NEAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Associates in congress of Rep. Sereno Payne were profoundly shocked to learn today of his sudden death from heart failure. He died here at such a late hour last night that few were apprised of the fact until today. The end came as all the more of a shock to his friends because he had apparently been in the best of health and was in his seat in the house as usual yesterday.

Mr. Payne died without friend or

relative near. His body was found shortly after 11 o'clock lying on the floor of his apartment beside the telephone which he had but a few moments before used to ask the house clerk that a physician be sent for. The coroner pronounced death as due to heart failure superinduced by arterio-sclerosis and complicated with other organic troubles.

Mr. Payne's death removes a notable figure from the house. He had served in that body for more than a quarter of a century, during which time he had taken a conspicuous part in the framing of tariff measures, having been recognized as one of the foremost authorities on the subject. Mr. Payne was elected to the 45th congress and was returned thereafter



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Solid Gold Pendants \$3 to \$25		Gents' Gold Fobs....	\$3 to \$10
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THE MERRIMACK RIVER

Lowell Men Urge Improvement
Appropriation of \$7,500,000—
President Invited to Speak Here

Strong arguments in favor of an appropriation of \$7,500,000 for the improvement and development of the Merrimack river from Lowell to the sea were presented yesterday at Washington, D. C., by Congressman John Jacob Rogers and others. There were 43 delegates present at the meeting from six commercial organizations of cities in the Merrimack valley, and although only five of them addressed the meeting, all held informal conversations with the members and supplemented the speeches by private arguments. John H. Murphy, secretary of the Lowell board of trade, was one of the speakers. His statement to the committee was published in The Sun yesterday.

Following the hearing before the committee Congressman Rogers introduced the Lowell visitors to President Wilson, to whom an invitation was extended to speak at the 25th anniversary of the Lowell board of trade on Feb. 8. This the president said he would consider. A dinner at a local hotel in the evening closed the activities of the visit.

Congressman Rogers' Statement
Congressman Rogers presented a carefully prepared statement to the committee. It was, in part, as follows:

I desire in the first place to emphasize strongly the fact that there is no disposition so far as I am aware, anywhere in the Merrimack valley, in Massachusetts even, to attempt to procure an appropriation, large or small, for the improvement of the Merrimack river upon the "pork barrel" principle. We simply desire to have very material fact relative to the river put before the highest authorities having jurisdiction, so that they may then decide justly whether the facts warrant the expenditure of government funds upon the Merrimack river.

We are naturally handicapped at this time because of the adverse report handed down by Col. Craighill on Nov. 15th last. We are also handicapped by the circumstance that this report has not yet been printed and indeed has not even been abstracted in the newspapers. It is true that two or three men, myself among them, have

been permitted to read over the report, but only under a strict injunction of secrecy. I do not refer to this fact in any spirit of criticism, but merely to point out how difficult it must necessarily be at this time to rebut the points raised in a report of considerable length and in large measure of a technical character. It was the existence of these barriers to an effective argument that led us, when we appeared before the board of engineers yesterday afternoon, on our appeal from Col. Craighill's report, to ask either that this report be forthwith recommissioned to Col. Craighill for the re-examination of certain vital aspects of the problem or that we be given a continuance without prejudice for two or three months, during which those interested might have full opportunity to examine a printed copy of the Craighill report and, if desirable, to engage skilled engineering assistance in dissecting it.

When Congress convened on Monday of this week I introduced a bill (H. R. 19430) which was referred to your committee. It reads as follows:

"A BILL
Appropriating money for the improvement of the Merrimack river from its mouth to Lowell, Massachusetts.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES, That the sum of \$7,500,000 be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the United States, not otherwise appropriated, which sum shall be expended under the direction of the secretary of war, for the improvement, for purposes of navigation, of the Merrimack river from its mouth to Lowell, Mass."

Ask for \$7,500,000
I ask for \$7,500,000 because the estimate of Colonel Craighill of the cost of engineering from the mouth of the river up to Lowell is \$7,076,000 and because I desire to suggest only a relatively small increase over his statement of the estimate of the bare cost of engineering. Colonel Craighill estimates that the cost of paying bargeage claims and providing terminal facilities would add some \$400,000 more. His estimate of the amount of bargeage claims far exceeds that of local experts who think, and I understand are prepared to prove, that this item would be relatively trivial.

The cities up and down the banks of the Merrimack have already guaranteed to provide terminal facilities, so it would seem that this item also would be greatly reduced from Colonel Craighill's estimate, if indeed it would not disappear altogether. In any event, the commonwealth of Massachusetts has already appropriated \$1,000,000 toward the improvement of the Merrimack river, provided the United States would pay for the remainder of the work. I think it is fair therefore to say that so far as the federal government is concerned, this problem is one involving seven and one-half millions of dollars, instead of ten millions of dollars.

Colonel Craighill's position is that that the saving to result from a navigable Merrimack river ought to amount to about 4 1/2 per cent of the \$100,000,000 capital invested. He therefore estimates \$4,500,000 as the necessary saving to be effected if the project is economically defensible. Besides this, he indicates that \$100,000 should be spent annually for maintenance. It will be observed, however, that if \$7,500,000 be accepted as the basis of calculation, the annual saving, at 4 1/2 per cent, would be only \$337,500, or, including the \$100,000 for maintenance, \$437,500.

Saving in Transportation
Let us see if navigation would in fact effect this saving. Upon the answer to this inquiry depends the answer to the question whether the Merrimack river should or should not be made navigable. Others who will speak today will discuss in detail the extent to which the Merrimack river, if navigable, would be commercially used and how much a saving to the people of the section would result.

I desire to submit just one consideration in this connection. Colonel Craighill estimates that the average of twenty cents per ton would be saved to the consumers of coal in the Merrimack valley upon the coal brought there by water. Is this a sufficient estimate of what would in fact be so saved? In a special report of the Merrimack valley waterway board (January, 1914), a commission appointed by authority of the Massachusetts legislature to investigate Merrimack river navigability, it is stated:

"The total coal consumption of these cities and towns exceeds 1,200,000 tons only about 150,000 tons of which is now received by water. In the opinion of the manufacturers along the river, an adequate water route for the receipt of this commodity would effect a saving in freight of from 50 cents to \$1 a ton. In addition to the saving in transportation charges on general merchandise, raw material and manufactured products."

It has not been possible in the short time since Col. Craighill's report was available, even for a hasty glance through it, to make an exhaustive examination of this point. This is one of the things which will be the subject of further and more detailed inquiry in the coming year. However, it is undoubtedly stated from an examination of the railroad rates, an examination on file with the interstate commerce commission that the rates to Lowell and Lawrence are in the neighborhood of 50 cents to 55 cents a ton higher than those to Newburyport or Boston. In some cases the figures are even higher. The difference between Boston and Lawrence, for example, reaching 75 cents per ton. The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company states that the Boston rate and the Fall River rate are kept low by the competition of water transportation. The Pennsylvania railroad appends to its tariff a footnote to the same effect. In the report of Col. Edward Burr on the Merrimack river, dated May 25, 1910 (House document 2, 62d congress, 1st session) it is said, page 5:

"In the absence of water transportation facilities at Lawrence and Boston, there is an water-borne commerce at this time. All commercial transportation is in the hands of the railroads, which are a very conservative body, controlled by one corporation, the Boston and Maine railroad. Railroad freight rates throughout this section are relatively high."

In the report on the river and harbor bill for 1913 (senate document 1010, 62d congress, 3d session), page 32, it is said:

"The improvement of the channel is reported to enable the delivery of coal by water at rates 35 to 40 cents per ton less than by rail."

In the report of the chief of engineers, U. S. A., for 1913 (House document 402, 63d congress, 2d session), page 65, it is stated:

"It is reported that the improvement made has reduced freight rates 25 cents per ton, and that if the projected depth of 17 feet at mean low water be obtained over the entire bar it would still further reduce the freight rates 10 to 25 cents per ton."

Save 75 Cents Per Ton
Some authorities put the saving in freight per ton as high as 75 cents to Lawrence and Lowell. I am content, however, to accept 50 cents instead of 75 cents as being a very conservative basis for further calculation.

As above stated the total amount of coal now used in the Merrimack valley and hauled overland by rail exceeds a million tons, of course it is ridiculous to say that all this would be hauled by water even if the Merrimack river were made navigable. But in view of the official statistics not ridiculous to assume that the railroad rates would immediately drop to a true competitive figure. Perhaps some of you will say that this is not the the-



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Silk Hose.....25c, 35c, 50c and 75c

Cotton Hose.....12 1-2c and 25c

Wool Hose, 12 1-2c, 17c, 25c, 35c and 50c

Sweaters, 98c, \$1.48, \$1.69, \$2.98, \$3.98, \$5 and \$6.

Neckwear.....25c, 35c, 48c, 65c and \$1.00

Holproof Hose, box.....\$1.50 and \$2.00

Suspenders Sets, 25c, 48c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

Neckwear Sets.....48c, 98c and \$1.50

Hosiery Sets.....48c, 98c and \$1.50

Collar Sets, 75c values.....50c

Pajamas.....98c and \$1.50

Silk Sockette Pajamas, \$2 value.....\$1.00

Cotton Night Shirts.....50c, 69c and \$1.00

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Arrow Brand Collars, box.....\$1.50

Fancy Arm Bands.....17c, 25c and 48c

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Men's Umbrellas, 69c, 98c, \$1.15, \$1.50, \$2 and \$3.00.

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Union Suits, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$3.00

Cotton Underwear.....38c, 48c and 98c

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Wool Gloves.....25c and 50c

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BOYS' FURNISHING DEPT.

Boys' Shirts.....35c and 45c

Boys' Waists.....25c and 45c

Boys' Kid Gloves.....75c and \$1.00

Boys' Fur Gauntlet Gloves.....48c

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Boys' Gauntlet Gloves.....48c

Boys' Mittens.....25c and 48c

Boys' Sweaters.....98c, \$1.48 and \$1.98

Boys' Caps.....25c and 50c

Boys' Ties.....25c and 48c

Boys' Ties.....10c and 25c

Boys' Suspenders.....10c and 25c

Boys' Pajamas.....98c

Boys' Night Shirts.....48c

Boys' Underwear.....25c and 45c

Boys' Union Suits.....48c and \$1.00

Boys' Collars.....10c

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The annual election of officers of Highland center, 970, Royal Arcanum, was held last evening with the following results: Regent, John W. McKinnon; vice regent, Charles E. Stuart; orator, John E. LeDour; past regent, Loren M. Fuller; secretary, W. Dana Hill; collector, Adolph M. Huntington; treasurer, C. Frank Butterfield; chaplain, Herbert H. Montgomery; auditor, J. Oscar Phillips; warrier, Albert W. Phinney; sentry, Fred C. Rand; trustees, Alonzo G. Walsh, Frank Dodge and Alanson Gray; representatives to the grand council, Loren M. Fuller and Wm. J. Carey; alternates, Felix D. Langewin and Arthur H. Dana; representative to Hospital Fund association, Adolph M. Huntington.

Court General Shields

At the regular meeting of Court General Shields, 46, Foresters of America, held last evening, the following officers were elected: C. R. John Han-

ley, S. C. R., Patrick Roark, P. S.

James H. Cox, treasurer, J. E. McDonough, R. S. W. C. Bowles, S. W. Patrick, J. W. John Dalry, S. B. Owen, Morris, J. B. J. E. Lang, lecturer, John G. McNeill, trustee for three years, Patrick Reddy, physician, Dr. Wm. M. Collins.

James A. Garfield Post

A well attended meeting of James A. Garfield post 120, G. A. R., was held last evening with Commander P. B. Planders in the chair. An invitation from Farrington camp 75, Sons of Veterans, to attend their annual campfire to be held in Post 153, G. A. R., hall on Friday evening, Dec. 18, was received and accepted, and all will go that can. The following officers were elected to serve for the year 1916: Commander, P. B. Planders; senior vice commander, Geo. W. Hunt; junior vice commander, Joseph Penley; quartermaster, Wm. H. Dickey; sergeant, W. H. Farwell; chaplain, A. McKelvey; officer of the day, A. W. Stockwell; officer of the guard, Marion Blanchard; trustees of post funds, P. E. Butler, C. H. Stikney, C. H. Planders; trustees of burial lot, C. H. Stikney, C. H. Planders; delegates to department convention, C. W. Philbrick, A. J. Holes, George E. Clogson, alternates, W. L. Dickey, T. O. Regan and A. W. Stockwell. The next meeting of the post will occur on Wednesday, Dec. 23.

GUN BATTLE IN THE STREETS OF WORCESTER SAYS RUMANIA IS READY TO ENTER WAR

Joseph English Escapes in Duel With Police—Flees From House Amid Shower of Bullets

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—When Inspectors Burke and Casey called at 45 Assonet street last night to serve requisition papers on Joseph English, alias John Williams, aged 45, they narrowly escaped serious injury, when English, a South Carolina negro, turned upon them with a repeating rifle and fired at them.

English, or Williams, as he is known in Worcester, is wanted according to Capt. Patrick O'Day, in Camden, S. C., for selling leased property. The police say he is wanted for numerous offenses.

Casey and Burke called at his home shortly before 5 o'clock and explained their errand. English, admitting his guilt, requested time to change his

clothing, as he had just returned from work. The officers agreed and were waiting for him, watching him as he dressed. After changing his clothes English, who is 6 feet 1 inch tall, stepped behind a door and reappeared with a repeating rifle.

"Stand aside! The police are here," he exclaimed, leveling the weapon at the officers' heads. The inspectors made an attempt to grasp the rifle from his hands, but he was too quick for them, firing Casey with a blow.

The inspectors, reinforced by a dozen officers, opened fire on him and when within five feet of English, Burke demanded that he throw up his hands. English opened fire instead. The duel between the police and English continued down the rear stairways and into the street where after a running battle English made his escape.

SALEM FIRE SUFFERERS THREE KILLED IN WRECK

GRAND JURY SEARING WILL REPORT TO ROYAL ARMY COUNCIL

SALEM, Dec. 11.—Edward Searing, grand juror, and members of his staff were rendered a reception last evening in Manning hall by Salem council, Royal Army, Arthur B. Jones gave an illustrated lecture on "Fire Fighting." This afternoon Mr. Searing inspected the fire district and secured information regarding the members of the order who suffered by the fire. The supreme council will be advised of his findings.

BERLIN OFFICIAL REPORT

CLAIMS PROGRESS IN ARGONNE AND FRENCH REPULSED IN WOEYHE

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—In the official communication issued today by the German army headquarters staff, the Germans report progress on both sides of the Argonne forest and in Flanders, and to have repulsed French attacks in the Woezy region.

"We have made progress in Flanders. To the east and to the west of the Argonne (in France) the enemy's artillery positions were attacked with good results. French attacks in the forest of Lepretre and to the west of Pont-A-Mousson were repulsed.

"There is no change in the situation to the east of the Mazurian lakes (East Prussia).

"Our attacks in northern Poland are progressing.

"No news is at hand from southern Poland."

TO BUY CHICAGO WHEAT

GREECE NEGOTIATING FOR THE PURCHASE OF 1,000,000 BUSHELS PER MONTH

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Greece has turned to Chicago for its wheat supply and is negotiating for the purchase of 1,000,000 bushels a month, it was learned today. A. R. Cooke, the American consul at Athens, Greece, through whom negotiations are being conducted, advised in a cablegram that the purchasers will pay cash in advance.

WHIST CLUB TOURNAMENT

The third and last meet in the whist tournament between the members of Cercle Montclair de Lawrence and those of the Citizens-American club of this city will take place in the rooms of the Lowell organization in Middle street in the second Wednesday in January.

SERENO PAYNES FUNERAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Funeral services for the late Sereno Payne will be held Sunday at 11:30 a. m. in the hall of the House of Representatives. No services have been held there since the death of N. W. Dingley.

Minister Says "Any Nation Keeping Out of War Commits Moral, Political and Economic Suicide"

PARIS, Dec. 11.—"Any nation keeping out of the present struggle commits moral, political and economic suicide," Take Joneson, Rumanian minister of the interior, is thus quoted in a despatch published by the Matin. The quotation continues:

"The Rumanian nation, democratic and liberal in its culture, must not commit such a crime. The present war offers an unique opportunity for it to realize its program without endangering the independence and liberties of the kingdom."

M. T. I. CARNIVAL BISBEE INDICTED

Enjoyable Social Event Conducted by Temperance Workers

Associate hall was taxed to capacity last night by the members and friends of the Matthew Temperance Institute, who turned out in large numbers to fill the observance of the widely advertised carnival night. The hall was attractively decorated for the occasion and every detail went off smoothly. The

Alleged That He Sold Liquor Containing Wood Alcohol

MIDDLEBURY, Vt., Dec. 11.—Four indictments charging manslaughter and two charging illegal selling of liquor were returned yesterday by a special grand jury against D. A. Bisbee, a Bristol purveyor of drugs.

Bisbee is alleged to have sold liquor containing wood alcohol which resulted in 13 deaths six weeks ago. He probably will be tried during the week of Dec. 21.

LEAD COUNTRY TO RUIN

MINISTER MADE CHARGE AGAINST MEMBERS OF CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES AT MADRID

MADRID, Dec. 10.—(Via Paris, Dec. 11.)—During a discussion of the budget in the chamber of deputies today, Francisco Bergamini, minister of instruction in upholding the appropriations for his department, expressed regret to see them opposed by those who lead the country to ruin.

Count Romanones, former premier and minister of public instruction but now a deputy considering that the minister of instruction was referring to him declared that the chamber could not continue the debate while Senator Bergamini remained in office. Amidst a great uproar the opposition members threatened to leave the chamber and Senator Bergamini then announced his resignation, whereupon the session was closed.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A supper followed by an entertainment and dancing was held at St. John's Episcopal church last night, and the affair was very successful. The entertainment program was as follows: Piano solos by George Smith, readings by Miss Lillian Green, whistling solos by William Carr and vocal solos by Miss Evelyn Regan and Mr. Marshall. Music for the dancing was furnished by the Mistle orchestra, comprising Ed-ward McLean, Jerry Stanley Guggin, Clifford Anderson, Edward Davis and George Faulkner.

The women in charge of the supper were as follows: Mrs. L. L. Whately, chairman; Mrs. James Bancroft, Mrs. A. G. Foster, Mrs. C. H. Walker, Mrs. T. E. Watson, Mrs. Rawling and Mrs. James Regan.



WALTER T. POWERS
President of M. T. I.

general manager of the evening was President Walter T. Powers and he was ably assisted by a large corps of members. A feature of the evening was a souvenir program issued under the leadership of William H. Carey, containing an interesting history of the society and the pictures of several of them.

The dance order consisted of 25 numbers and from the time dancing started on until midnight the floor was well patronized. The return to the old time glide dance was very noticeable, and the old time quadrilles proved a treat indeed. Miss Carey's concert orchestra furnished the music for the dancing, and this in no small measure, added to the enjoyment of the evening. Those having charge of the affair were as follows:

General manager, Walter T. Powers; assistant general manager, John E. O'Neill; floor director, Edward T. Draper; assistant floor director, John Patrick; chief aids, William H. Carey, Henry McLaughlin, Bernard A. Connors; treasurer, Frank J. Lincoln; secretary, Joseph E. McVey.

Chairman officers' table, President Walter T. Powers.

Chairman married men's table, Patrick F. Nestor.

Aids, Patrick Kane, John Nestor, Edward A. Welch, Patrick H. Crowley, John J. Guthrie.

BABY BURNED TO DEATH

WORCESTER INFANT THREW PAPER INTO STOVE—MRS. TOMMASIAN SEES FLAME, BUSINES HOME

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—Sarkis Tommasian, aged 15 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ucheador Tommasian of 130 Central street, was burned to death yesterday when his mother left the house for a few minutes to visit a neighbor.

From the neighbor's house she saw a flash of flame in a window of her home and rushed back to find her baby on the floor with all his clothing burned off. The child was hurried to City hospital and died in a short time. It is supposed the baby thrust a paper into the stove through an open grate and that the flames were communicated to his clothing.

VETERAN ENGINEER DEAD

Eugene W. Darling of Providence Operated Locomotives for More Than Fifty Years

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 11.—Eugene W. Darling, for more than 50 years a railroad engineer, died yesterday at his home, 109 Jewett street. His last run was on the Providence-Worcester line. Mr. Darling was born in Burrill, Mass. March 23, 1847, a son of George W. and Leola Savory Darling. In 1870 he married Ella G. Knight of Uxbridge, who died in 1904. In 1907 he married Isora G. Walling of Uxbridge, who survives. A brother, Jerome A. Darling of Cambridge, Mass., also survives. He was a member of several Masonic fraternities. He will be buried at Ex-bridge, Mass.



SENSIBLE GIFTS

One receives so many gifts of a trashy nature that an article of real use seems of double value. Every person appreciates a useful gift and your good sense is shown in the selection of an article of that nature.

PERFUMES

Roger & Gallet.....25c to \$5.00
Hudnut's.....50c to \$5.00
Harmony.....25c to \$2.50
Piver's.....90c to \$3.80
Coty's.....\$1.15 to \$10.00
Gorlet's French.....80c to \$25.00
Violet Dulce.....25c to \$1.50
Hanson & Jenks.....25c to \$5.00

MIRRORS

Shaving Mirrors.....49c to \$1.98
Hand Mirrors.....49c to \$2.98
Triplicate Mirrors.....\$2.49 to \$6.49
Travelling Mirrors.....69c to \$1.29
Bathroom Mirrors.....\$2.98 to \$5.29
Pocket Mirrors.....10c to 25c
"Vacu" Mirrors.....\$3.00
Standing Mirrors.....\$1.98

SAFETY RAZORS

Gillette.....\$5.00 to \$25.00
Ever Ready.....\$1.00 to \$3.50
Gem Junior.....\$1.00
Auto Strap.....\$5.00
Duchman Domino.....\$1.00
Croscut.....\$1.50 to \$5.00
Durham Derby.....\$2.50
Star Safety.....\$1.00 to \$2.50

MANICURE GOODS

Buffers.....39c to \$1.50
Cuticle Cutters.....75c to \$3.50
Manicure Scissors.....39c to \$1.98
Nail Files.....10c to 75c
Manicure Sets.....49c to \$25.00
Nail Clips.....25c to 50c
Nail Polish.....9c to 75c
Emery Boards.....5c to 25c

KODAKS

Brownies.....\$1.00 to \$12.00
Vest Pocket Kodaks.....\$6.00 to \$22.50
Premos.....\$4.50 to \$25.00
Brownie Enlarging.....\$1.75 to \$4.00
Graflex Cameras.....\$40.00 to \$150.00
Albums.....10c to \$5.00
Metal Tripods.....\$1.25 to \$5.00

RUBBER GOODS

Monogram Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt., white.....39c
Moneyback Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt., chocolate.....\$1.25
American Beauty Hot Water Bottle, 2-Qt.....\$1.49
American Beauty Hot Water Bottle, 3-Qt.....\$1.60



67-69 MERRIMACK STREET

The Rexall Stores

HOGANS NOT IN COURT

NO APPEARANCE ON RETURN DAY OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAMES OF HOGAN FAMILY

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Yesterday was the return day on the petition of members of the Hogan family to have their names changed to Human, and although objections had been filed and the judge in his discretion might in the

ordinary course of business have granted the petition, yet the Hogans did not appear personally or by counsel before Judge Grant in probate court.

The petitioners are Edward Joseph Hogan, father, who wants to be hereafter known as Edward Human; Herbert Warren Hogan, who asks to be called Warren Malles Human; Gladys Hogan, Mary Louise Hogan and Edward Osborn Hogan, who ask respectively that the court will change their names to Gladys Malles Human, Louise Malles Human and Osborn Malles Human.

RESIGNS AS POLICE CHIEF

Henry W. Mason, 74 years old, of New Bedford, placed on half pay by City Council

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 11.—On the eve of the changing administration, Henry W. Mason, chief of police, resigned at a meeting of the city council last night and was pensioned on half pay, \$7 a week. Chief Mason is 74 years old and a Civil war veteran.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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Every wanted material—Hindo Lynx, Ponoire, Broadtail, Salls Plushes, Silky Zibelines, Arabian Lamb, Persianinas, Caracul, Astrachan, Chinchilla, Imported Tweeds, Diagonal Weaves, Broadcloths, Novelty Boucles, Fancy Mixtures and Tartan Plaids.

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Dresses \$9.50

\$12.00 to \$20.00 Values

Street dresses, afternoon dresses, dancing frocks. This wonderful lot of dresses embraces a very general variety of charming new models, fashioned in such modish materials as dainty chiffons, satins, crepe de chimes and splendid serges.

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BASEMENT

DARING ATTEMPT TO RAID DOVER HARBOR

British Batteries Pour Heavy Fire on Six German Submarines Off Naval Base

LONDON, Dec. 11, 12.22 a. m.—Half a dozen German submarines made an attempt at 6.30 o'clock Thursday morning to enter the admiralty harbor, according to a Dover dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company, and for half an hour the batteries kept up a furious fusillade, firing at least 200 shots.

It is reported that two or three of the submarines were sunk, but no confirmation of this can be obtained.

The attempt was made under cover of early morning darkness and during a heavy rainstorm. The first alarm, says the dispatch, was given by the firing of a naval gun, and soon all the batteries were in action.

The admiralty, to whom this dispatch was submitted, said that it had not received confirmation of the reported attack.

Dover is opposite the French town of Calais and is one of the chief ports of communication between England and the continent. The admiralty harbor, comprising an area of 610 acres,

is the finest harbor of refuge in the channel. Its construction was begun in 1895 and completed in 1902 at a cost of \$17,500,000.

The western limit of the harbor is the admiralty pier. The commercial harbor is bounded on the east by the pier of Wales pier, with the east arm of the admiralty harbor is built from the shore to the east of Dover Castle. There are numerous forts guarding the entrance.

THE REAL ESTATE PAGE

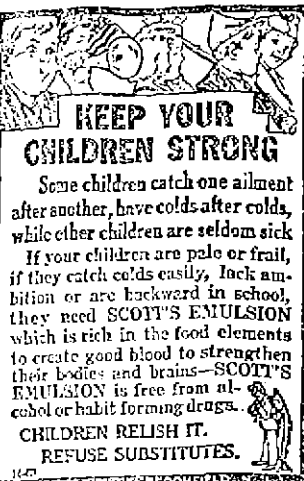
The Sun's Real Estate Page Will Be Printed Tomorrow With News of Interest—Spelling of Discovers Politics

Tomorrow's principal feature of The Sun will be the Real Estate and Builders' Page, a regular Saturday special. This will, as usual, be devoted exclusively to those interested in the real estate market and building, and to the dealers and contractors. To these contemplating changes in their property, this page will be of value for it places the public in close touch with the men in the contracting and furnishing business.

A discussion of the political situation by The Spelling will also be of interest to the readers of The Sun tomorrow. This writer talks over the situation in a fair and pleasing manner and his articles have gained favor with the people.

Columns of "They do Say's" will appear in tomorrow's Sun, brief and pointed little paragraphs that are highly entertaining.

For the housewife Mrs. Ray's menu will have a particular interest for they help in providing a pleasing variety.



KEEP YOUR CHILDREN STRONG

Some children catch one ailment after another, have colds after colds, while other children are seldom sick. If your children are pale or frail, if they catch colds easily, lack ambition or are backward in school, they need SCOTT'S EMULSION which is rich in the food elements to create good blood to strengthen their bodies and brains—SCOTT'S EMULSION is free from alcohol or habit-forming drugs. CHILDREN RELISH IT. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

of good things for the meals throughout the week.

Every woman likes to be complimented on the fact that she wears a very smart, size shoe. This effect may be made of even by those who have not noticeably small feet by careful buying of shoes. Here this is accomplished is explained in "What the French Maid Said," which will appear in The Sun tomorrow.

If one will follow the directions given by the writer of "The Rabbit's Foot" tomorrow and be careful to protect the throat in this raw weather, they will avoid in great measure the danger of illness.

Tell the children little stories of the proper kind and you will instruct as well as please them. The "Sleeping Tales" in The Sun are written especially for the little ones. Read "Grandpa's Lesson" to them tomorrow.

TRUCK BURNED

Big Laundry Truck Was Badly Damaged by Fire—Other Fires

The laundry truck owned by George Russell caught fire in some manner late yesterday afternoon and an alarm was rung in from box 53. The top of the truck was burned completely before the flames arrived. The fire occurred on Broadway.

A dangerous rubbish fire broke out just before eight o'clock last night in the basement of the garage on Church street. The fire department was telephoned for and extinguished the blaze before any serious damage had been done to the premises.

A fire also broke out in an unoccupied tenement at 73 Summer street. Box 214 was sent in shortly after midnight. Workmen had been in the empty house during the day and carelessness in leaving matches probably caused the blaze. Little damage was done by the flames.

AT FIRST UNIVERSALIST

Rev. Caleb E. Fisher, D. D., began his 20th year as pastor of the First Universalist church last evening, when the annual supper and entertainment was held in the church vestry. The fact that this annual event is always a great success and also the news that Rev. Mr. Fisher was beginning his 20th year as head of the church attracted a large number of the congregation.

Early in the evening a banquet was served with music furnished by Berles orchestra. This was followed by songs by Harry Needham, after which Dr. William M. Jones, president of the Men's club, offered as toastmaster.

The first speaker was Dr. A. S. Macdonald of the Sunday school. He stated that 37 years ago 99 men met and formed the First Universalist church, and referred to its good standing in every respect, and to the men of exceptional ability who had been credited among its members. He paid a tribute to the excellent work of the United Workers of the church, of the Men's club, and the Sunday school, advising also the fine work of the choir and the organist.

Dr. Charles Conkita of Brookline came next. His remarks were made in his characteristic witty and pleasing vein, but yet were punctuated with good, sound sense. He pleaded for increased earnestness and zeal in our appreciation of the duty of public worship which makes us better men and better women.

The other speakers were Rev. Dr. R. E. Sykes of Nahant, Rev. C. A. Lincoln of the Kirk Street Congregational church, Rev. George W. King of St. Paul's Methodist church, Rev. N. W. Matthews of the Park Street M. E. church, Rev. C. T. Phillips of the Park Unitarian church, Rev. J. M. Crane of the Presbyterian church, and Rev. C. E. Fisher, D. D., of the Universalist church.

CHRISTMAS SALE

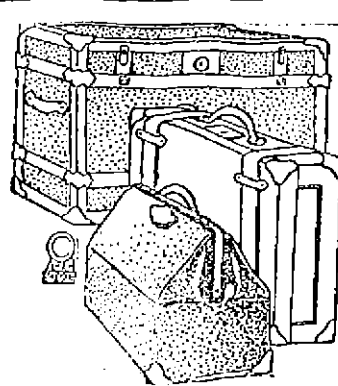
The Christmas sale of the Women's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. closed last evening under the most auspicious conditions. The attendance was large and the sale made at the tables was very heavy. During the evening a play entitled "Mrs. Oak-

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TO ABOLISH CROSSING

Winchester Commission Files its Report at Clerk of Courts at East Cambridge

WINCHESTER, Dec. 11.—The commission, consisting of George W. Wiggin of Franklin, George F. Swain of Boston and Arthur Lord of Plymouth, appointed by the superior court of Middlesex county Jan. 2, 1906, to consider the abolition of the grade crossing in Winchester Center, filed its report yesterday in the office of the clerk of courts at East Cambridge.

The commission states that to abolish the crossing by a change of grade of the railroad or ways the cost would be so great that it would report against abolition, but by discontinuing the ways within the railroad location and the substitution of a new way and subway, the expense will be consistent with the finding that the security and convenience of the public require the abolition.

The commission describes the new way it offers in return for closing the present crossing. This would be a 60-foot street from Church street, running between the Waterfield building and the residence of Dr. Clarence J. Allen, crossing the railroad tracks south of the station, across the northern end of Manchester field and descending to the Mystic Valley parkway near the Unitarian church on a 5 per cent grade.

The new way is to be carried over the tracks on a through plate girder bridge, with a clear span of 86 feet, having steel girders, wooden stringers and brick-paved roadway on a waterproofed plank floor. The sidewalks are to be carried outside the girders on brackets. Headroom of 15 feet is provided for under the bridge. Provision is made for a 40 foot arch bridge over the

ley's Telephone' was given, with the following taking part: "Mrs. Oakley," Lillian McCoy Smith, "Constance," Florence Grant, "Mary," the cook, Lillian L. Fletcher, "Mamma," the maid, Florence A. Chamberlain, "Irish Songs," Berles Sisters.

The sales tables were headed by the following women:

Children's table: Mrs. A. P. French and Mrs. W. E. Hatch, chairmen.

Apron table: Mrs. Mary E. Woodman and Mrs. D. B. Farnell, chairmen.

Candy table: Mrs. J. Arthur Bennett and Mrs. Walter A. Chase, chairmen.

Twenty-five cent table: Mrs. Albert E. Swapp and Mrs. J. B. Lamson, chairmen.

Grab table: Mrs. L. A. Ayer and Miss E. E. Chase, chairmen.

Food table: Mrs. L. A. Black and Miss Maude E. Black, chairmen.

Fancy table: Mrs. G. W. Stewart, chairman.

MOTHER PAYS THE FINE

HOWARD MCGREGGON OF WATERBURY ACCUSED OF HAVING REVOLVER—LARCENY CASE FILED

GREENFIELD, Dec. 11.—In district court yesterday morning Howard McGregor, aged 17, of Waterbury, Conn., was convicted of having a revolver on his person. His mother paid a fine of \$50 which was imposed. McGregor and J. J. Murphy, now in also of Waterbury, were charged with the larceny of \$7 from Frederick Spencer of Shelburne Falls. They pleaded not guilty and the case was fled.

COOPER AT WORK IN YARD

Man Who Escaped Electric Chair Says He Is Satisfied With His Position in State Prison

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Daniel J. Cooper, who escaped the electric chair by commutation of his sentence of imprisonment for life in state prison, was put to work yesterday in the prison yard. In a talk he had with the warden he expressed himself as satisfied with work the yard and said that he would faithfully live up to the rules of the prison.

on the site of the present building.

The Boston & Maine railroad is designated as the party to do the work and the expense is to be divided as follows: The railroad, 65 per cent; the street railway, 10 per cent; the commonwealth, 15 per cent; and the town 10 per cent.

Town Counsel Charles F. Dutch said: "The law entitles the town to a fair equivalent and adequate substitute for present facilities. The commission's plan, I submit, does not give this. It walls up the crossing and substitutes a new way only 60 feet wide. Such a way is entirely too narrow. The present crossing is 150 feet wide on the east side and 225 feet on the west. It delays travel by electric cars and vehicles from one side of the town to the other. Fire apparatus going to North Main street must travel over one-fourth of a mile farther, with four bad turns. These turns and curves are dangerous and a 5 per cent grade is an unjust burden on horses that must travel over it. It blocks access to Manchester field from the center of the town."

"The town plan of depressing the tracks four feet and raising the streets separates the grades in a normal way

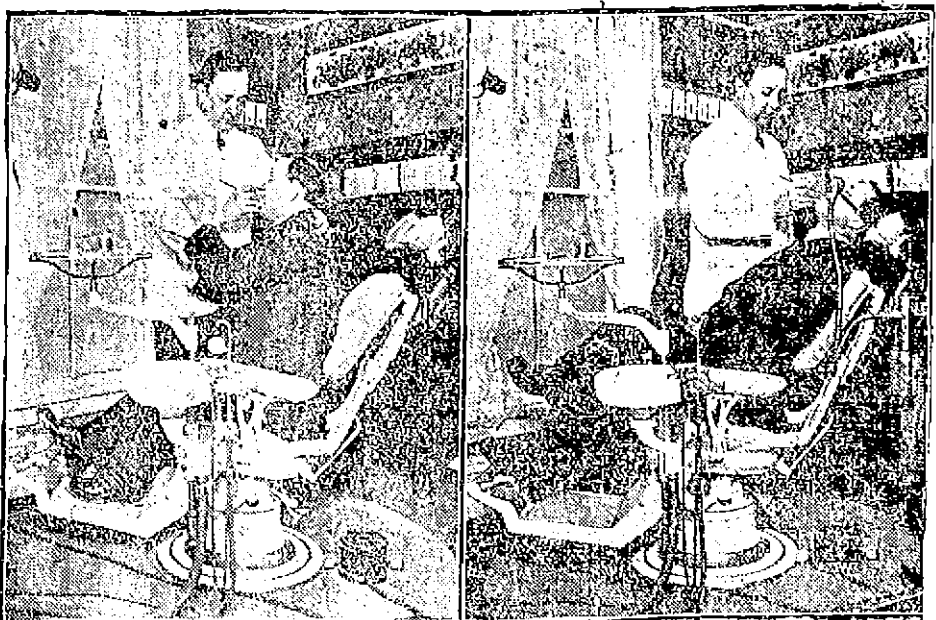
and gives every party a fair and adequate substitute for present facilities. The expense is not great, as it was estimated by engineers at from \$300,000 to \$325,000, and the railroad engineers estimate the cost to be about \$100,000. On a comparison of the cost of the work at Belmont and Newton, on a basis of either population or valuation, this cost is not excessive.

"Although the B. & M. R. R. has officially urged the adoption of the commission's plan, its chief engineer, Mr. Corthell, has stated that such a plan 'was going round Robin Hood's barn,' was not the proper way to eliminate the crossing and that the town plan was the better and would do for all time. He admitted the feasibility of lowering the railroad tracks four feet."

"Mr. McDonald, when president of the road, characterized the commission's plan as a makeshift. It is worse. It walls up ancient turnpikes, officially laid out in 1646 and 1660, that have been widened and straightened again and again to meet growing demands, and diverts them by a single 60-foot way."

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Now turn to the picture on your right. Here you see restfulness and relaxation; a patient that feels no pain, yet is in control of every other sense. He can talk and hear and watch the doctor unhindered, do his very best work. This is an example of DENTISTRY AS I DO PRACTICE IT.

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Now that you have seen the two pictures and know the story that they tell, it up to you to CHOOSE. If you have dental work to be done, will you have pain and harsh treatment or will you have "Nap-a-Minit" and no pain at all? There is little doubt about your answer and when you come here you will find the greatest service and value-giving dental office in New England.

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TO AVOID EXTRA SESSION

Senate Democrats to Have Caucus—Steering Committee Confers on a Program

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Democrats of the senate will meet in caucus Saturday afternoon to frame a legislative program for this session of congress, with a view to assuring completion of necessary legislation by March 4 in order to avert the necessity for an extra session to usher in the fifth congress.

Decision to hold the caucus was reached at a conference of the democratic steering committee late today, attended by Senators Kern, O'Gorman, Hoke Smith, Thomas and Owen. The steering committee discussed matters to be recommended to the caucus. One recommendation will be that appropriation bills be given the right of way and rushed with all possible expedition.

The government ship purchase bill, conservation measures and the Philippine bill will also be recommended. The immigration bill, although not mentioned in the president's recommendations, several senators said, would be passed within a few days in all probability. Some senators are understood to be pressing the party leaders

CAPITALIZATION CONTROL

This Among the Recommendations of the Interstate Commerce Commission's Report

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—In its annual report to congress yesterday the interstate commerce commission makes these principal recommendations:

Laws to control railway capitalization, compulsory use of steel cars in passenger trains and prohibition of the use of wooden cars between or ahead of steel ones; definite penalties for violations of the hours of service act; authority of the commission to examine all documents and records of railroad to fix definitely one period—preferably three years—in which legal actions may be started relating to transportation charges.

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Cut Glass, Berry Dishes and Vases.....\$2 to \$7.50
Doll Carriages.....\$7.50 to \$25.00
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Children's Crib Beds (Brass).....\$1.00 to \$7.50
Children's Desk and Chairs.....\$2.95
Boys' Roll Top Desks.....\$14.00

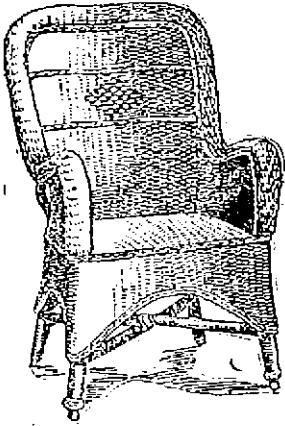
Boys' Roll Top Desks.....\$14.00
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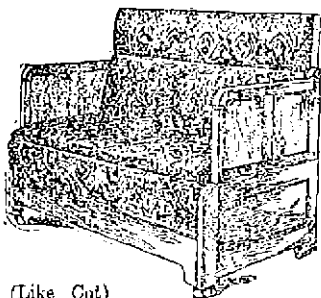
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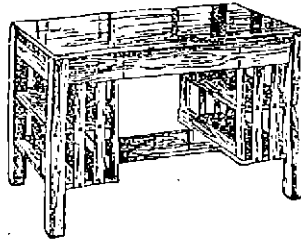
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Covered in tapestry, leather or silk plush.....\$30 to \$45
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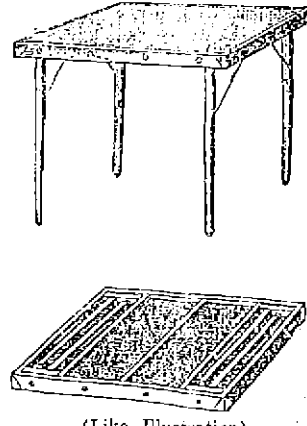
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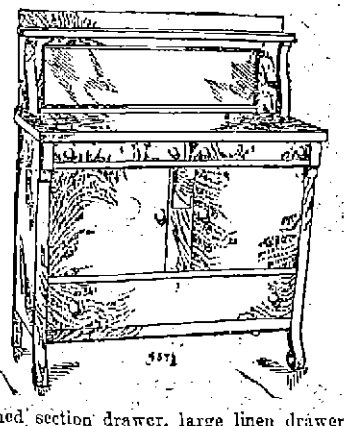
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INQUIRY FROM WILSON

Colorado Governor Asked if Conditions Permit Removal of the Federal Troops

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President Wilson last night telegraphed to Gov. Ammons of Colorado asking whether it would be safe to withdraw the federal troops from the strike districts. If Gov. Ammons replies that the state is ready to assume control of the situation the president will withdraw the troops immediately.

The president acted following a conference with Senator Thomas of Colorado, and after a report word had been received from the United Mine Workers of America that the coal miners' strike had been called off.

Mr. Wilson is anxious to withdraw the troops, but wants formal assurances that the state will be able to control the situation. Sec. of War Garrison has completed preparations for withdrawing the troops as soon as word comes from the White House.

Senator Shafroth of Colorado said last night that he understood Gov. Ammons desired to have the federal troops withdrawn gradually, rather than all at once, so that the effect on the miners might be observed. The president received a request several days ago from Gov. Ammons that the troops be withdrawn from some of the districts, but took no action on the request. He is believed to prefer that all of the troops be withdrawn at the same time.

HEARING RESUMED
DENVER, Col., Dec. 11.—It was expected that John Lawson, executive board member for Colorado of the United Mine Workers of America, would be called at today's session of the hearing of the federal commission on industrial relations.

An incident of yesterday which was expected to figure in the proceedings

today was the report of Commissioner Walsh for a copy of an enclosure noted in a letter from John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to President Welbourne of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. This letter was dated Aug. 3, 1914. It said:

"Enclosed please find a letter just received from George S. Lawrence, first lieutenant, Troop B, Colorado National Guard. This letter is of such a character that I should be glad to have your advice as to what, if any, reply to make."

"To this under date of Aug. 19, 1914, Mr. Welbourne's reply follows in part: 'I have been endeavoring to secure some information that would justify the charges made by Mr. Lawrence, but so far have been unsuccessful. 'I have seen Mr. Lawrence only once and that was on the occasion of his coming to my office to secure cash on his state warrant after the appropriation had been made by the extra session of the legislature. I had had a few moments' conversation with him at that time when I took occasion to congratulate him on the good work he had done and unless I am mistaken he expressed satisfaction at the treatment received at the hands of our employees in the district where he was stationed. 'I would suggest that in your reply to his letter you advise him to call on me, giving him the assurance that I will make a thorough investigation of his complaint.'"

First Lieut. Gerry S. Lawrence of Troop B was in command of the 36th regiment engaged in the battle of Ludlow, according to Adjutant General John Chase's testimony yesterday.

Mrs. J. Gordon Hartman of New York was expected to resume her seat with the commission today upon her return from the southern coal fields where yesterday she visited the various mining camps.

CHANCELLOR O'CONNELL HONORED

Elevated to the Dignity of Monsignor by Pope Benedict XV

The Young Priest is Native of Lowell and Resident of Fay St.



Rev. James P. E. O'Connell.

The young priest rejoices at his promotion.

Rev. John H. Harriman, pastor of St. Mary's church, Hanover, has been transferred by Cardinal O'Connell and made pastor of the new St. Ambrose's parish recently cut apart from St. Peter's parish in North-st. Rev. Harriman's successor as pastor at Hanover will be Rev. Daniel S. Sheerin, senior curate at St. Mary's church, Hopkinton.

To fill the vacancy caused by the advancement of Fr. Sheerin to a pastorate, Rev. Daniel F. Gorman of St. Aidan's church, Brookline, has been transferred to Hopkinton.

Rev. Fr. Gorman is a Lowell boy and is well known here. He is a brother of former Charity Commissioner James E. Gorman.

STEAMER ARRIVES
NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Arrived steamer from Glasgow.

ULTIMATUM TO MEXICO

United States Demands That Border Firing Cease—Notes to Carranza and Gutierrez

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The United States has served formal notice on both Provisional President Gutierrez and Gen. Carranza at Vera Cruz, Mexico, that unless they promptly prevent their troops from firing across the American boundary, such force will be employed by this government as may be necessary to protect American territory.

In the most emphatic and threatening expression from the Washington government since the diplomatic coronation of the occupation of Vera Cruz, identical warnings were sent to the two chieftains of the different factions at Naco, Sonora, from the Arizona town of the same name, that firing across the international line must cease.

Although the messages which were

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lives through the employment of force. The American government made it clear incidentally that it intended to use force, not for aggression, but only for defense, and had no idea of invading Mexican territory or interfering with the right of the Mexican people to settle their own disputes, or violating Mexican sovereignty in any way.

No time limit was set within which the Mexican factions must comply with the demands, but a sufficient time will be allowed for both Carranza and Gutierrez to communicate fully to Gen. Hill and Gen. Maytorena, respectively, the seriousness of the situation.

In the meantime, Brig-Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, lately named assistant chief of staff of the United States army, is in personal charge of the situation at Naco, with three batteries of field artillery, having a range of five or six miles and 11 troops of cavalry.

WILL SLAUGHTER CATTLE

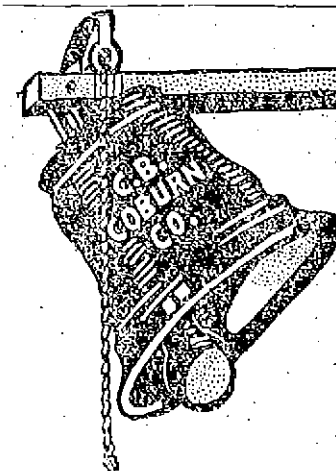
A herd of cattle, 37 in all, the property of George F. Heland of Peacet, will be slaughtered because of the foot and mouth disease. The work of digging two trenches for the burial of the cattle was completed yesterday afternoon.

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AS TO TRUST FUNDS

Discussions of trust fund disappearance at the present time may savor somewhat of the locked door policy after the horse has been stolen, but nevertheless there are phases of the question as it has been revealed locally which must be met courageously and constructively if this city is to benefit by such funds in the time to come. Though the official activity surrounding the subject dwells mostly on the need for replacing the vanished amounts, their disappearance should neither be forgotten nor ignored until it is fully understood by the public and until there is absolute certainty that, when restored, these will be devoted to their legal and specified original purposes without danger of outside or inside tampering.

It does not explain the local disappearance of trust funds, left for the benefit of our people by deceased citizens of Lowell, to allege that they have been merged in the general treasury and expended for general civic purposes. Other cities have done such things and Lowell, in the past, has made no apology for doing them, but it is contrary to the spirit of the law and to honest government. Those who, in the goodness of their hearts, left legacies to their city in order that some group of its citizens should profit thereby in the time to come scarcely realized that the men selected to administer our public affairs would ignore the terms of the bequest and use these moneys for other purposes. It may never have been intended that the misappropriation should be more than temporary but the misuse of trust funds was wholly wrong, without anything to vindicate it. Whether the city be financially sound or bankrupt, trust funds are trust funds and must be used for their specific purposes.

All cities are benefited more or less by the beneficence of departed citizens who, in a high sense of loyalty, humanitarianism and civic pride, leave lasting monuments of their generosity in some monetary bequest that will reflect glory on their name and benefit some group of people. When such a bequest is made, a city should respect the terms of the gift out of principle and also as an encouragement to our future citizens to leave such a memorial. What encouragement is there for any Lowell man to leave a sum of money to the Lowell public after the present revelation? The Carney-medal fund of \$200, the Thomas Nesmith funds of \$1000 and \$25,000, and the Jonathan Tyler fund of \$10,000 should never have been touched for any purpose other than that specified in the documents which turned them over to the city. Were it not for a prompt public protest we might see a like state of affairs in regard to the Davis fund and the cemetery fund. For some years past the city library has been compelled to draw from the Davis fund for the purchase of books, though this is contrary to the terms of the gift. Now that the mayor is about to suggest borrowing to restore the vanished funds, it is high time that some provision should be made whereby, for the future, trust funds left to the citizens of Lowell will be safe from the misjudgment of their official custodian or the tampering of municipal councils. No body of citizens will urge this more strongly than the heirs of those whose bequests were so strangely and unjustifiably juggled, without satisfactory explanation.

The law enacted last year to compel the restoration of trust funds merged in the general treasury will safeguard these funds for the future, and the public may take heart. Nevertheless an explanation is due to Lowell citizens as to how our trust funds disappeared. We do not remember that they were specifically voted to any definite purpose by any city council of the last few years, or even under the old charter. Undoubtedly the city treasurer will be able to account satisfactorily for their disappearance and how it came about, and he should not delay long in doing so. The Lowell public is more than usually interested in the many phases of the situation.

THE KAISER'S ILLNESS

Although since the war began, the merest rumors of the illness of one or other of the rulers or leaders in the warring states have been magnified into special official messages, there is no longer any doubt of the serious illness of the Kaiser, brought about undoubtedly by his activity in the scenes of war and by the nervous strain attendant thereon. The world does not wish that the war should be decided one way or the other by the death of any of the great principals, but nevertheless speculation is rife as to what effect the possible death of the German emperor would have on the future of his empire.

According to revelations of German preparedness for war and high efficiency, it may be that even the elimination of the Kaiser would mean no departure from the military principles followed by the German generals up to the present. Still, the influence of the ruler has been understood as being the determining factor at critical times, and as the Kaiser is known to be an excellent strategist, his death would throw a deciding force on the shoulders of someone else. This would naturally be the crown prince, though here again it is doubtful if the heir would run counter to the desires of seasoned generals. He, too, is known to be a strong militarist but is generally credited with rash enthusiasm occasionally. At the same time there are not wanting Germans who say that the German armies would show even greater brilliancy under the leadership of the crown prince, who is magnetic and popular in the army.

Quite apart from the personality of the sick ruler when history cannot well ignore it seems that any change in government or government departments would be injurious to Germany at this time when all her energies are bent to one definite end. The probability is that such a change will not take place, however, unless the illness of the Kaiser is unusually serious, for he is a man of almost youthful vigor and is generally believed to have an iron nerve. Both physically and mentally he has sometimes been compared to our own Roosevelt.

THE EDISON FIRE

Not for a long time has a fire in this country attracted more attention than the fire of Wednesday night in the great manufacturing plant of the world's greatest inventor, Thomas A. Edison. The loss of about \$7,000,000 would be apart as unique, in itself, but there are other aspects of the case that arouse unusual interest. The one redeeming feature of the fire was the saving of the laboratory building containing the most valuable machinery.

and the plans and patents of the inventor. Another redeeming feature was the spirit shown by Mr. Edison, who said, immediately after the fire: "I'll start all over again tomorrow." The immense group of buildings destroyed represented the growth of the Edison inventions since his humble beginning, but no one familiar with his personality and the facts of his eventful life doubts that he will begin all over again and leave even a more noble monument to his genius. Anything affecting Edison affects science the world over and thousands will wish him a speedy recovery from the temporary obstacle to his inventive genius.

A WAR PRAYER

Among the unpublished manuscripts of Mark Twain has been found a war prayer, suggested by the sight of a regiment drawn up in front of a church while a prayer was offered for the victory of their arms. Following is the prayer, as he interpreted it:

"O Lord, we go forth to smite the foe. Help us to keep their soldiers to bloody shores with our shells; help us to cover their smoldering fields with the pale forms of their patriot dead; help us to lay waste their humble homes with a hurricane of fire; help us to wring the hearts of their unfeeling widows with unavailing grief. For our sakes, who adore thee, Lord, hasten their steps, water their way with their tears."

Twain never published the prayer because he was told by his admirers that it was tinged with the sacrilegious. In view of the world struggle going on at the present time, the prayer by all the powers and appeals to God for the defeat of their enemies and the changed views of a great part of mankind as to what constitutes war, the prayer will seem not only timely but cruelly true as reflecting the real spirit of such an appeal.

BRITISH NAVAL VICTORY

England has taken strong revenge for the German victories off the Chilean coast on November 1, by destroying three German cruisers and practically clearing the sea of that part of the world of opposition to the allies. Incidentally, both the trade of the allies and neutral countries will be reassured by the result, which has cost Germany 2,000 men, besides the naval equipment. It was a foregone conclusion that sooner or later the German squadron off the coast of South America would meet its doom, for since the destruction of the British cruisers Good Hope and Monmouth, Japan and England were on the search for the ships that had now paid the toll near the Falkland Islands. Two of the German cruisers escaped, but these could have evaded the fate of the

others. In all, there are still five German cruisers in the waters of that region, and no more are being built by a far greater number of English and Japanese vessels. Germany must be ready to offer another sacrifice before long.

DUTY OF BUSINESS

The president was very straightforward in that part of his recent address which stated that the business program of the administration is now practically complete and that therefore honest business has nothing to fear. Whatever one may think of the tariff, the currency and the anti-trust measures, they were really intended to advance the interests of legitimate industry, and though their passage may have produced some temporary confusion, they have now been put on a permanent basis and it remains for business to adjust itself honestly to new conditions. The president has gone half way and more than half way in his courageous and honorable assurance, and business ought to respond in kind by honestly striving to meet the terms of the new law without needless fears. When the heat of partisan controversies are past, President Wilson may be seen as a real friend to American business and as a conservator of its best aspects.

Running all through President Wilson's suggestions as to national defense was the assertion that we will do very well to adhere to our ancient policies in such things. These who differ with him say that changed conditions necessitate greater precautions.

The result of the war will demonstrate in great part which view is correct. All will agree that we must not deteriorate whatever we may do to advance in navy and army efficiency.

A warning has been sent to Mexico that if their people persist in shooting across the Arizona frontier into American territory, Americans will shoot back. America has been altogether too patient, but evidently we have reached the limit. Any affront to America or to Americans must be dealt with in future with the consequences of force to back up our demands.

Just a suggestion: Holly is the traditional Christmas decoration, but it does not grow in this climate and what we receive is rather dry and with few berries. Why not use our own pine boughs, holly? They are as beautiful in their own way and they look more hearty than the dried-out holly.

President Wilson's views on the merchant marine and Governor Walsh's views on our labor laws have points in common. Both use extraordinary measures, but only until the critical time is past. Extraordinary occasions call for extraordinary measures.

As usual we are hearing the usual post-election whispers. But let

Can we trust them with trust funds?

SEEN AND HEARD

A bachelor who says he needs a rest cure is a married man's idea of a well-earned day.

When a man spends a lot of time looking disheveled he forgets that he looks and acts like a hatter in a cheap play.

THE RIGHT MIND

Little Bobby Benton went with his mother to buy a pair of bullock-brokers. When he had looked at all the varieties in the store, he was still dissatisfied.

"I want that pair in the window," he protested. "These are just exactly like them," assured the clerk, but if you want that particular pair I'll set them for you."

And he produced them, much to Tommy's satisfaction. They bore a resemblance to the pair which read, "Bullock-brokers cannot be beat."—Life.

OVERDOING IT

Mr. B. who was doing out, had done justice to the good things before him. By way of a graceful apology, he remarked with a beaming smile directed toward his hostess: "You always heard, didn't you, that the highest compliment one can pay the housekeeper is to eat heartily. You observe that I have been exceedingly polite."

"Thank you Mr. B.," smiled back the hostess. "Indeed I think that you have carried politeness to the point of fatality."—N. Y. Evening Post.

A THIEF'S HARD LUCK

If this isn't a true story blame it on the letter carrier who told it to me. He said a farmer told him to him and farmers are supposed to be honest even though it sometimes happens that the pump is their best cow. But this is a true story and a true man was never known to water his milk. Anyway, this farmer was more interested in hens than in cows and he had some of the best chickens that ever happened. They were plump, fat, intelligent, soothed and well-behaved. They had just one weakness. They trusted strangers. Just because their owner was a good, just man, they thought everybody was good. One night a stranger entered their home, their coop, and they welcomed him to him. He played with them and mistaking it for a soft corner, they purred. He can purr if they want to.

At last we have arrived at the door of the hen. The stranger, having hastened out to the coop to see "good morning" to his flock. He found some of them in the yard and he wondered how they got out and why they came out. Then he visited the coop and found it empty. Then it dawned upon him that a hen-thief had visited his coop during the night. He was exceedingly mad and was about to say something terrible when his best eye rested on something that had all the earmarks of a pocketbook. It was on the floor and he picked it up. He opened it and lo and behold it contained \$50. Then his face beamed, his eyes watered with gladness, his heart beat so that the pulchritude was visible in the flesh through his sweater, coat and sheep-skin jacket. He wondered who the thief could be who would exchange 50 beans for twenty hens. Then he had another thought. The second one was a good one. It told him that the man who took the hens didn't intend to leave the money and he had the hens. There was nothing for him to do but to await developments. A neighbor of his had lost 60 hens a few nights before and he went over to see him and find if the thief had left a pocketbook in the coop. He didn't want to ask the question right straight out. He had to beat about the bush. "I wish," he said to the other farmer, "that those fellows who steal hens would leave their wallets behind." "What's the good of talking about things that never happen?" said the broad farmer and then the man who had the 50 beans in his pocket was explained that there wasn't any philanthropist playing the part of the thief.

The farmer wasn't worrying, but he was just curious to know who had unconsciously exchanged his pocketbook containing \$50 for a few hens. "Isn't it, how one will always think of somebody?" The farmer thought of somebody and that somebody called the next day and asked the farmer if he had any hens for sale. The farmer said he had a few left and invited him to the coop. "Now," he said to himself, "I will find out if my suspicions were true to me." As they entered the coop the farmer turned and said: "Here they are, and they're nice ones." The prospective buyer didn't hear what the farmer said. He was searching the floor with eager eyes. The farmer, of course, was on and on and said: "The \$50 beauty is nowhere. I removed

her for safe keeping." The prospective purchaser was about to speak but changed his mind. It dawned upon him that discretion is sometimes the better part of valor and he made a get-away that was anything but graceful. Now the farmer knows who stole his hens and who lost a pocketbook. He knows, too, who is going to keep the pocketbook and who can keep the hens.

GRAPE OF ESCROW. I have not entered in across my way. Shining and deep, a silent river bed; But sometimes, in the dawning of the day, I see visions of its vineyard rise.

—The Century.

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The collar on the beer are much too high.

—Cincinnati Enquirer.

I have not entered in, I must obtain. A little while at least to keep my

vow.

I will not "savage" my throat, but suffer

pain.

Even though the devil whispers, "Do

it now!"

—Birmingham Age-Herald.

I have not entered in, I fear the trip

That comes to those of us who cross

the bar.

The outward journey's short—a simple

ride.

But, O, the voyage back is very far.

—Johnstown Democrat.

I have not entered in, the bunch is

there;

And they are buying rounds, in turn

about;

I've just the price of one, and street

car fare.

And if I entered in I would be out.

—Houston Post.

I have not entered in, not on your life!

I reached the door, then turned and

waited.

I suddenly remembered that my wife,

My cheerful spouse, is cleaning house

today.

—Springfield Union.

I have not entered in, for at the bar,

Are half a dozen tightwads smiling

at me.

All tight and thirsty friends—the gate's

ajar.

But you can bet I'm glad I'm safe

outside.

—The Century.

ENVY

About this time of year, I think, I envy

men with money.

Not that I thirst for finer drink, or

hunger after money.

Not that I want more clothes to wear,

or more clean to smoke.

Such things don't breed a single care

for me when I am broke.

But when it's Christmas time again,

with all the toys on view,

I think, if I had money then, of what

I'd like to do.

—The Century.

Oh, I can pass a costly vest without a

single sigh.

An diamond shirt studs for my breast

never make me busy.

I'll eat my fill of simple fare, and count

my dinner free.

An' not begrudge the millionaire his

pleasure or his wine.

But when I range a toy shop gay, full

many a pang it brings

To think that I must turn away from

all the sweet things.

—The Century.

I want the finest railroad train, the

doll with human hair.

The toolbox with a real plane, the

biggest teddy bear.

The tricycle with rubber tires, the

engine run with steam.

Because I know a boy's desires, I know

how children dream.

And then I envy him who comes, with

wallet out of shape,

And buys the most expensive drums,

while I must pinch and scrape.

BOMB ATTACK BY BOYS

MISSILE DROPS IN NEUTRAL TERRITORY AND TWO OTIS, ME., LADS MUST PAY INDEMNITY

OTIS, Me., Dec. 11.—Elmer Babb and Clarence Soper will be \$385 shy on their Christmas money, for that is what they will have to pay for indemnity in their war operations resulting in damage to the schoolhouse in District No. 7.

Some of the people thought that they ought to be punished more, but Squire Hopkins said that Elmer's father was one of the best soldiers that went to the front in the 2d Maine regiment and the grandfather of Clarence fought in the Mexican war, so that the boys came honestly by their military spirit. Besides, the greatest ordinance experts in the world have made miscalculations.

The boys had read a lot about bombing in the war in Europe and rigged up a bomb made of a tomato can, loaded with powder and bits of old iron for shrapnel, and fixed it to a big box kite. They contrived an ingenious trigger arrangement, which would release the bomb by a sudden jerking of the strain on the kite cord. After sending up several dummy bombs which were dropped nicely, they planned an attack upon an abandoned shack down in the Soper meadow with the real bomb. They made a "garrison" with pumpkins for brave defenders of the "fort" and sent up

the kite with a long lighted fuse attached to the bomb, after making careful calculations as to the aerial attack.

But something went wrong with the mechanism of the bomb-releasing device and just as the kite was sailing over the schoolhouse, which wasn't in the enemy's country at all, the bomb came down and landed plump in the schoolhouse chimney. The boys say that they couldn't have hit the chimney in 1000 years if they tried.

Fortunately, school wasn't keeping and it was lucky that the bomb caught a little way down the flue, so when it went off all it did was to blow the top of the chimney, knock down the stovepipe, fill the room full of soot and ashes and jar down the picture of Abraham Lincoln, smashing the glass.

Some of the neighbors were very much put out about "such actions" and wanted the boys prosecuted, but Squire Hopkins, who is a past commander of the G. A. R. post, said that while he would have to take official cognizance of damage to the property of the town, there were no extenuating circumstances, and if the boys would pay for rebuilding the chimney, cleaning the schoolroom and for a new glass for Abraham Lincoln's picture and be very careful of their military operations in the future, he would consider the incident closed.

DISMISSED TO FRONT

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Among the latest recruits for the Welsh Horse regiment which is now in training at Norfolk, is Jim Driscoll, the English featherweight pugilist and holder of the Lonsdale belt as champion of his class in this country.

OFFICER TAKES TRIO

SEVERAL PEOPLE KNOCKED ASIDE WHEN ALLEGED PICKPOCKETS TRY TO ESCAPE

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Inspectors Burke, Cladina and Alexander of police headquarters had a lively session last night at the North station with three alleged pickpockets. The men were in the trainshed and when the officers approached them they tried to get away and in so doing several persons waiting for trains were knocked aside. The officers finally got the three and took them to headquarters. They gave the names of Charles Hoffman, aged 31 of New York, Max Fine and David Ross.

The men were all recognized at police headquarters, it is said, as men with records throughout the country. They were booked up as suspicious persons and this morning each may be summoned into court as a vagabond. The men had tickets to Montreal in their possession and claimed they were headed for that city.

MASS NOTICE

There will be an anniversary high mass of requiem sung at St. Michael's church, Saturday morning at 8 o'clock, for the repose of the soul of Bridget Connelton.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned take this means of expressing to their friends their sincere appreciation of the many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy extended them during their late sorrow in the death of their beloved sister, Miss Margaret Marcella of Colfax, N.H., and to assure them that they will ever be held in grateful remembrance.

(Signed) The Maguire Family, Collinsville, Mass.

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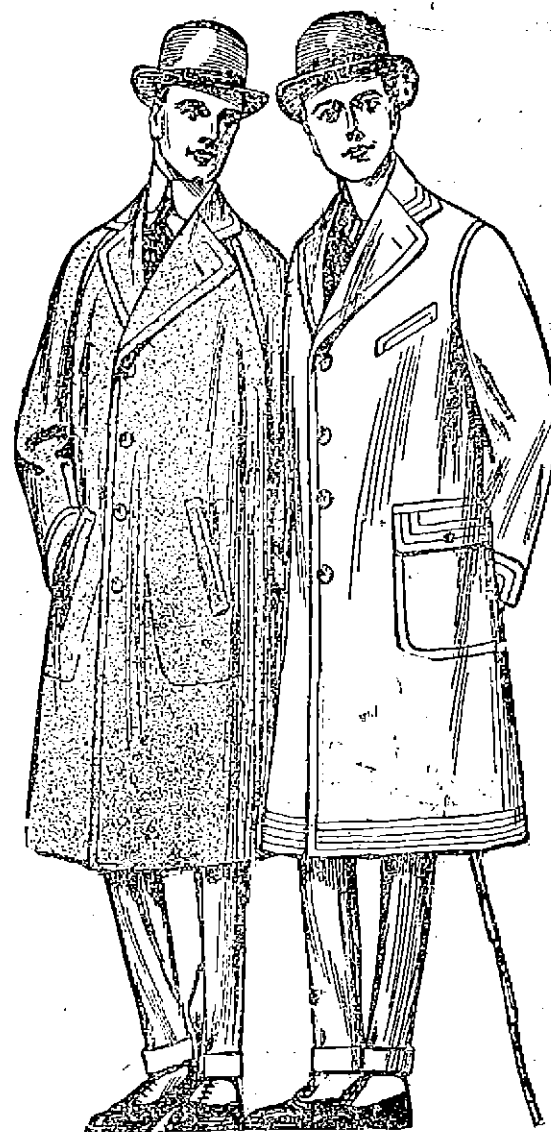
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THE RABBIT'S FOOT

BY GWEN SEARS

THE SNOW WALK

It has been stated that the English women owe their splendid rosy complexions to the out-of-door life they lead. They go so far as to say that the American women spend too much time in steam heated rooms, devouring chocolates.

This may be true, or it may not be, but anyhow there is no excuse for the American woman sitting in her steam heated boudoir eating chocolates on these fine winter days, when all out-of-doors beckons and calls to her. Even in a large city, there are always parks and boulevards, and the woman who lives in a suburb has no excuse whatever for her desire to stay in the house.

Put on your morning costume and stroll out. You will marvel at the interesting things you will see. Your tired eyes will suddenly become keen and before you know it you are watching a squirrel scurrying over the snow-covered fields, or you have paused to talk to some wee rosy faced kiddies who are snow balling each other in the mad delight of childhood.

After a few mornings of such exciting enjoyment you will scorn your silk negligee. A morning at home, toasting your feet on the radiator will bore you. Your whole body and mind will cry out for the invigorating exercise of walking in the crisp winter air. Try it once, mildly of steam heated rooms and bon-boas.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Men's Overcoats \$12 to \$28

Why certainly!

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A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

Evidently weather conditions were just as hot and residents of Lowell were just as cranky 25 years ago as they are today, for here is what the old Sun had editorially 25 years ago: "Can't this administration afford to put a few grains of sand on the sidewalk? It's much cheaper to do this than to pay damages for broken bones!"

If they were kicking quarter of a century ago when Lowell was a much smaller town they'd kick anyway, so Charlie Morse should worry.

Lowell Camera Club

While photography has become a pastime in Lowell in recent years, and everybody has a Kodak, quarter of a century ago it was considered a fine art and Lowell supported a Camera club which from time to time gave very creditable exhibitions of the work of its members.

The old Sun says: "The first of a series of amateur photographic exhibitions was given Tuesday evening under auspices of the Lowell Camera club. The ideas displayed were elegant and valuable and a large number visited the rooms during the evening to see the collection. Mr. William E. Badger manipulated the stereopticon. The scenes principally represented landscapes in New England and animated and still life, each view having been taken by a member of the association. The contributors were Miss Florence Whittier, Mrs. Helen Whitfield, Mr. A. S. Guild, Mr. W. E. Badger, Mr. W. S. Green, Mr. H. F. Smith, Mr. William B. Atwood, Dr. M. G. Parker, Mr. Charles J. Glidden and Mr. C. E. Nelson, and the work of each deserves liberal praise."

Veteran Firemen's Ball

The Veteran Firemen were a lively bunch quarter of a century ago. They were the old Lowell Vets, and anticipated the Butler Vets of today, and their annual ball was a grand event. That of 25 years ago was described by the old Sun as follows:

"Last night the Veteran Firemen danced in Huntington hall and a large number of friends helped to make the third annual ball a rip-roaring success. All the veterans were their red shirts and they 'broke her down' in royal style. The ball program was engraved under the direction of William B. Glidden, at the Sun office and made a great hit. James F. Norton was general manager and for ails he had the following gentlemen: C. C. Foote, C. E. Porter, P. E. Hill, B. F. O'Neil, H. H. Davis, A. Hallowell, E. Moley, G. A. Turner, W. E. Gilmore, S. H. Silsby, C. H. Hawton, S. G. Cooper, and C. B. Goodale. The American orchestra furnished music and dancing was enjoyed until morning."

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Terry Hanover's Horse

While attempting to write this column, yesterday, I was interrupted by a member of The Sun staff, with this query:

"Say you're an Old Timer, and know everybody; who the deuce was Terry Hanover and what's the story about his horse?"

"Why do you ask?" I inquired.

"Well, he replied, I was standing in front of The Sun building this noon while there was a crowd before the bulletin. As I stood there, 'Bully' Duncan, the new commissioner came out of the building and was greeted on all sides, responding with a bow for everybody. As he passed along an old gentleman came up to me and said:

"Can you tell the young man, who is that one-looking young feller that just went along?"

"That's Commissioner-elect Duncan," I answered.

"Sure, I thought he was some big gun, for he was bowing to everyone like Terry Hanover's horse," replied the old gentleman.

The late Terrence Hanover was an undertaker in this city more than quarter of a century ago and he owned a celebrated horse that had a habit of continually bowing its head and blinking its eyes as it passed along, whether in the harness or the undertaker's wagon. One day as Terry's horse was proceeding along Gorham street to the cemetery, bowing as it went, a man who was about to cross the street, stopped close to the horse and the animal looked him squarely in the eye and blinked. The man thought it a great joke and told all his friends that Terry Hanover's horse had winked at him. Within a year both men took ill and died and stories were told of other people who had been winked at by the funeral steed, and who had passed away within a twelvemonth until finally it became an accepted belief that Terry Hanover's horse winked at you, you'd die within a year. Ever afterward whenever a funeral would be seen approaching with Terry Hanover driving the hearse the superstitious ones would beat it to a safe retreat and if they hadn't time to escape would turn their backs on the cortege until Terry and his horse with the malevolent glance had passed on. The horse carried many a well known citizen to his final resting place before death put his baleful eye in the blink for all time. While not engaged in his sombre duties as an undertaker, Terry

renew Hanover's inclinations ran to music and he was noted as a fiddler. He could play a head-down fiddle better than any man in Lowell and no picnic of the old Lowell Irish Benevolent society was complete without Terry and his fiddle. On those festive occasions Terry's horse was confined to the barn where he could wink to his heart's content without any fatal result.

Speaking of fatal winks, my old friend Ben O'Hara, the bricklayer, once told me of an experience he had while working in Lawrence years ago. Ben says there was a police officer in that burg who had a peculiarity of one eye that was quite noticeable, and one morning while one of his fellow-bricklayers was going to work he met the officer and the latter looked him in the eye. That day the bricklayer fell off a wall and was killed, and ever afterward when the bricklayers were on their way to work, if they saw the officer coming, they'd like for a side street lest he might look at them. But it frequently happened with some of them, including Ben, that the cop saw them first, and whenever that happened they'd religiously abstain from working, lest something awful should befall them.

An Old Time Recount

In these enlightened days the registrars of voters take charge of the recounts, each candidate being permitted to have a representative at the count. Quarter of a century ago the board of aldermen held the recounts and there was one held over the city election which the old Sun wrote up as follows:

"The aldermen Tuesday commenced to recount the ballots cast in the late municipal election, and from the start they showed a disposition to 'gouge' the interested candidates out of what ever rights they are supposed to have under the law, in regard to being present and having a free view of every ballot as they were being recounted. It was nearly 5 o'clock in the afternoon when the recount began. Everybody but press representatives were excluded from the circle made by the aldermen's desks. This sort of business forced all of the candidates to huddle outside of the hall, or in the council chamber, or in the old hall-way. Under this way of doing business not one of the candidates could tell whether or not the aldermen were marking in crosses where they would do the most good. Editor Houston of the Times was one of the interested candidates and he made a plain protest against the new system of recounting the ballots and then he left, refusing to be an attentive examiner of the backs of the 'clean politics' aldermen. Alderman Drury also objected, but all to no avail. So the recount has been going on in drabs and drabs all week. The aldermen and council candidates have lost or gained one or two in each precinct but not enough to change the

result. The most important revelations of the recount are the ballots cast for John McCluskey for alderman and for Dr. Walker for the school board. Mr. McCluskey gained 50 votes in ward one, placing him near Messrs. Paige and Hogan in the general result. Dr. Walker gained nine votes in ward six, reducing Burnham's majority to seven."

THE OLD TIMER.

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Come in and let us show you one.

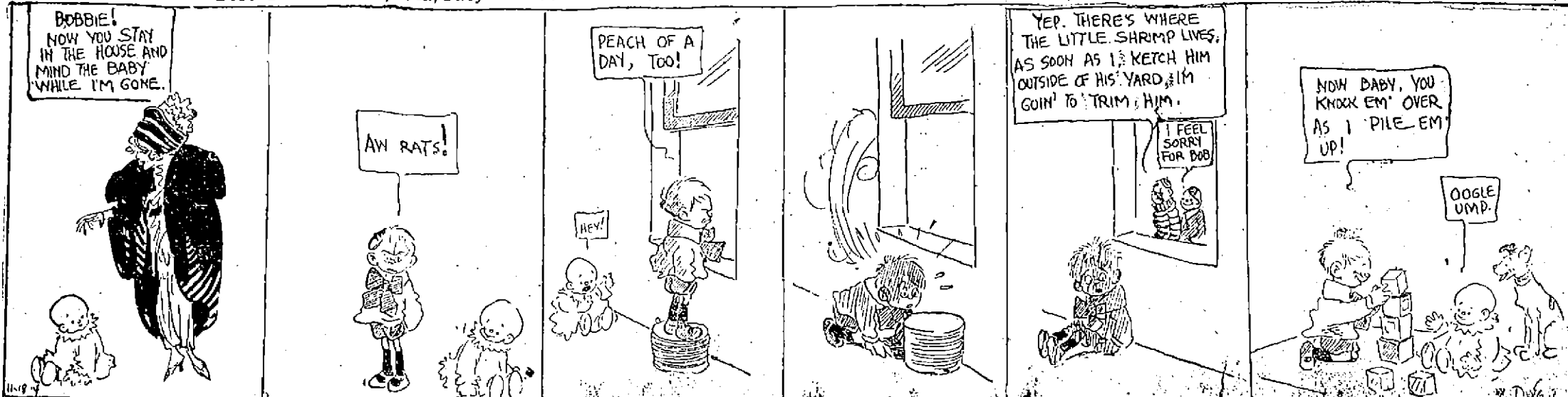
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DAY BY DAY—Oh, Well, Baby Isn't Such a Bad Playmate After All

BY CLARE VICTOR DWIGGIN



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THREE GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED BY FRENCH

Paris Official Report Adds That One Important French Trench Reached by Kaiser's Forces

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The official statement given out in Paris this afternoon says that the enemy yesterday was active in the vicinity of Ypres. Three of his attacks were repulsed but one of the important French trenches was reached by the forces of Emperor William. Nevertheless French troops continue to make progress in the direction of the enemy's lines, according to the official report. Artillery engagements are reported in the region of Arras and in the Vosges, as well as in the vicinity of Ypres and on the heights of the Meuse. In the Argonne the French advanced several of their trenches. The text of the communication follows:

"The enemy showed a certain activity in the region of Ypres. He directed several attacks against our lines, three of which were completely repulsed. At one single point on the front the Germans succeeded in reaching one of our lines and trenches. On our side we continued to make progress in the direction of the enemy's lines. In the region of Arras and in the vicinity of Ypres, there have been artillery engagements. In the Argonne we have pushed forward several of our trenches and driven back two German attacks. In the region of Ypres we have consolidated our gains of the preceding days. The German artillery has been inactive but we suffered no losses. A similar condition has existed on the heights of the Meuse. In the forest of Le Pretre our progress has been continued and has developed. To the south of Thionville we have occupied the railroad station at Asprey. Along the remainder of the front in the Vosges there have been artillery engagements."

FINANCIAL SITUATION OF FRANCE
IS "REASSURING," SAYS ALEXANDER HIBOT

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The financial situation in France is "reassuring," Alexander Hibot says in the *Matin*. "We have lived up to the present by an issue of treasury notes," M. Hibot continued, "of which 22,000,000 francs (\$10,400,000) has been placed recently and the total subscription for which exceeded a milliard francs (\$200,000,000). Thus there is no need at present to have a recourse to a loan. In fact, the success of this great national operation is so great that I decided today to reduce from five to four per cent the interest on three month notes except those which are to be renewed on Dec. 15."

AUSTRIANS REPORT THE RUSSIANS
DEFEATED WITH LOSSES

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 11.—(Via London)—An official statement issued here says:

"Under cover of a man of war, the Russians attempted to disembark on Thursday near Genuchia, south of Batum, Trans Caucasia, in order to outflank our troops. They were compelled to retreat with heavy loss."

DETAILS OF OVERWHELMING VICTORY OVER AUSTRIANS BY SERBIANS

LONDON, Dec. 11.—A Nish despatch contains a statement giving additional details of the recent overwhelming victory over the Austrians claimed by the Serbians in northwest Serbia.

"The pursuit of the enemy is proceeding at a rapid pace," says the statement, "especially on our left and center."

The statement reviews the fighting from Dec. 3 to 7 inclusive, estimates the total prisoners at upwards of 22,000 and enumerates an immense and varied assortment of war material captured, including an entire artillery depot.

DRACUT RESIDENTS FAVOR ANNEXATION TO LOWELL



JEREMIAH J. SULLIVAN
Lowell Assessor



HENRY ACHIN, JR.
Representative



JAMES J. McMANMON
One of the Speakers

Meeting Held at Kenwood Listened to Speeches and Finally Voted in Favor of Annexation—Committee Chosen to Outline District to be Annexed

If one is to judge by the enthusiasm that prevailed at a meeting of the residents of Kenwood, New Bedford, Brockfield and Belle Grove, held last night, it is fair to assume that the town of Dracut will soon lose that district which extends along the river road as far as the Mottum line. The meeting, which had been called for the purpose of talking annexation, was one of the most successful gatherings ever held in the town. About 75 men, all residents and taxpayers of the district, assembled in the greenhouse of James J. McManmon and discussed the annexation problem in a most harmonious way, although a few of these present did not favor the proposition. At the close of the meeting a vote was taken and out of 48 who voted, 33 voted in favor of annexation. It was also voted to form a permanent organization and a committee of five was appointed to make a thorough inspection of the district and draw lines as to the district to be annexed to the city of Lowell.

The principal speakers of the evening were Assessor Jeremiah J. Sullivan and Representative Henry Achin of Lowell, and James J. McManmon of Dracut, while a large number of the men present expressed their views, giving their reasons why the district should be annexed and why it should remain as it is.

The meeting was opened at 8 o'clock by James J. McManmon, who in a few words explained the purpose of the gathering. In the course of his remarks Mr. McManmon said the town of Dracut was mainly responsible for the meeting, not because the newspaper has anything to gain, but because this live newspaper is looking out for the welfare of the people of the district and the property of Lowell. He urged those present to express their views on the matter of annexation, whether in favor or opposed to the project, and he assured his listeners all would be given fair play. He then called upon the assembly to choose a chairman and a secretary and Rep. Arthur W. Colburn and H. A. Flanders were unanimously elected to the positions of chairman and secretary respectively.

The chairman then called on a representative of *The Sun* to explain the attitude of the newspaper on the matter of annexation, and Mr. Larochelle said the meeting had been called at the request of a number of residents of the district who had asked the support of *The Sun* to bring about a mass meeting of the citizens and taxpayers of the district. He said *The Sun* was interested in annexing a part of Dracut to Lowell because the city needed more land. He said the river road district was selected for the meeting because the residents have expressed themselves in favor of annexation as the only means of securing fire protection, water supply and free schools.

He concluded by saying it was up to the assembly to either drop the matter if they felt annexation would not be beneficial to them, or to organize permanently and push the matter along.

Rep. Henry Achin was then called upon and at the outset he informed his listeners he was in favor of annexation for the betterment of Lowell and the residents of the district, for he said he felt assured that all parties interested would benefit by the change. Mr. Achin gave interesting data concerning the growth of Lowell, and his remarks were in part as follows:

"If I am a firm believer in the movement for creating a Greater Lowell and in bringing our city to its proper rank among Massachusetts cities. A few years ago we were all surprised to learn that Fall River had gone ahead of Lowell and again this year we are informed that New Bedford has outdistanced us. In searching about for the reason of Lowell's slower progress it becomes quite apparent that the question of area is the main cause and that our city is greatly handicapped by its present small area, when in reality, populous sections of adjoining towns are rightfully part of Lowell, because the populations of these sections depend for a large share upon Lowell's industries and commerce and are an important factor in its daily life. With populations nearly the same, Lowell has an area of 9038 acres of land, compared to 25,156 which Fall River occupies, and 20,373 acres within the boundary lines of New Bedford."

The story of the growth of Lowell as one of annexation as shown by the records since May 1st, 1826, when a part of the town of Chelmsford was established as Lowell. Since that time a portion of Tewksbury was annexed in 1834, a part of Dracut in 1851, more annexation from Dracut, Chelmsford and Tewksbury in 1874, and again from Dracut in 1879. Tewksbury lost another section in 1883 and finally in 1906, when what is now called South Lowell was annexed from Tewksbury.

"Dracut is referred to as common law in the year 1809 and has been added to its territory but has yielded to Lowell upon three previous occasions. I understand that the motive behind your annexation movement is not because of any particular dissatisfaction but a desire for the betterment of general conditions. Lowell in planning expansion must extend the benefits of its facilities to any newly acquired territory and it does not follow that the people of the added section lost any of their rights and privileges, but on the contrary they benefit to a much larger degree, while Lowell also derives many advantages and increased responsibilities for it means larger revenues, greater population and a bigger front yard for its inhabitants, while on the other hand it carries over to the annexed territory more facilities for fire protection, improved streets and walks, better sewerage system with increased sanitary conditions; more lighting, better water service, efficient police protection and all the advantages of Lowell's public school system free of charge."

"The completion of the first street extension to join your new highway with the expressed intention of the Bay State Street Railway Co. to double its car tracks in this section would bring you within very short reach of Lowell's city hall. While I do not possess the figures in detail of the exact amount of territory it is desired to be annexed to Lowell, I believe the proposition merits, looking into further, and could be arranged for the mutual benefit of all concerned."

Assessor O'Sullivan

The next speaker was Jeremiah O'Sullivan, a member of the board of assessors of Lowell, who informed his listeners he did not come for the purpose of expressing his personal views on the matter of annexation, but simply to speak along lines concerning the assessing of property, and he said he would willingly answer all questions put to him concerning the assessing of property. His remarks were in part as follows:

"Massachusetts does not classify property at the present time for the purposes of taxation. It is the duty, therefore, of the assessors in each year under our general property tax law, to make a fair valuation of all property, real and personal, situated within the city and all the personal property of the inhabitants of the city, wherever situated, unless the same is expressly exempted by law. All property is assessed at the same rate. For the purposes of assessment, property may be divided into three groups: Real estate, lands and buildings; tangible personal property and intangible personal property. You are not interested so much in the latter two groups. Suffice for me to say that the present system of taxation of intangible personal property is condemned by practical tax officials and tax commissions. Taxation of real estate is based on a high degree of uncertainty, irregular and unsatisfactory. It rests mainly in guess-work, unequal in its practical working and hence demoralizing alike to tax-payers and tax officials. Primary fault is with the system and not the administration of it. It is the general rule of the Massachusetts high courts that the assessors shall change their system with regard to the taxation of such classes of property as stocks, bonds, debts, securities and the like. It may come in the form of classification property at different rates, such as the three mill tax, or the income tax, which will place a fair tax upon its capital value. We must eliminate also the taxation of tangible personal property with the statement that your board of assessors here no doubt has the same method as we, in placing assessments of this class of property, such as stock in trade and the like, arriving at what a fair cash value of the property would be."

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Rev. Charles L. Merriam, a former Lowell pastor, was instantly killed and his wife seriously injured, when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a train on the New Jersey and New York railroad at Essex street crossing, Hackensack, N. J., last night.

Rev. David Stuart Hamilton, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Paterson, and Mrs. Hamilton, were badly injured, as was the chauffeur of the car. All the injured were taken to a hospital. It was said at the hospital that Mrs. Hamilton's condition is critical.

Rev. Charles L. Merriam was a former pastor of the Highland Congregational church in this city. He left Lowell about 17 years ago. From here he went to Pelham, N. H., and later to Derry, N. H. Later he became pastor of the North Congregational church in Newton. In 1913 he left Newton to assume the pastorate of the Auburn Street Congregational church, Paterson, N. J.

Mr. Merriam was graduated from Yale where he displayed a special enthusiasm for music, as he did here. He was married twice. His second wife was Miss Grace Greeley of Pelham. He is survived by his mother and a daughter by his second marriage.

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OFFICERS CHOSEN

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Narcisse Fouchier, president; J. S. Lappe, vice-president; Alfred Lebel, financial secretary; Arthur Robillard, recording secretary; Arthur Levele, treasurer; Joseph Goyette, first guard; Joseph Thud, second guard; Rosario Robillard, second trustee; Louis Bonheur, third trustee; medical examiner, Dr. J. H. Roy. The installation will be held on the second Thursday in January.

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FIGHT TO BRING HARRY K. THAW TO NEW YORK

Extradition of the Man Who Escaped From Matteawan up for Consideration Today by the Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The extradition of Harry Thaw from New Hampshire to New York was up for consideration today by the supreme court.

The argument of counsel for Thaw and for the state of New York today marks the final steps in the legal fight which has waged ever since Thaw escaped from the Matteawan asylum. The court was reviewing the action of Judge Aldrich that Thaw could not be extradited.

The murder of Stanford White by Thaw as a result of which the latter was sent to Matteawan was mentioned only incidentally in the case.

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